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TO OUR FRIENDS AND FELLOW-WORKERS

We again call your attention to the following important and significant facts:

We are making steady progress in our efforts to secure a wide reading for *The American Missionary*. In this consolidated magazine we give a Birdseye View of our entire Homeland Work. Is not this just what is needed to keep our people posted as to the progress of the Kingdom in America? Will they not be better Christians and better patriots if they read it regularly? Would not a new inspiration come to all your local church work if they could get this broad horizon?

How can the women of our churches do their work without it?

How can the men give intelligently and generously if they do not know of the work?

How can the Sunday-school teachers and the Young Peoples' Societies teach home missions or conduct gatherings in behalf of missions without the fresh and interesting information this magazine contains? We cannot help feeling that out of a membership of over 700,000 we should be able to secure at least 100,000 paid subscriptions. The thing which would help most toward this—in fact would solve the problem—would be a movement among our stronger churches to take advantage of our club offer.

You will recall that our rates are as follows:

Single subscriptions	\$.50
For clubs of five, each subscription .....	.25
For clubs equaling one-fifth the gross membership of the church in the last Year-Book, each subscription .....	.15

It is fair to assume that in all save a very few churches a moderate amount of effort would secure enough names to reach the fifteen-cent minimum. But this moderate effort, like most others in church life, results only from pastoral pressure. You know how confidently we rely on the pastor to help us in our missionary efforts. May we not count on your co-operation? **HOW LARGE A CLUB WILL YOUR CHURCH SEND US?**

The consolidation of our various Homeland periodicals was made in response to the desire of the denomination. We are putting every effort to produce a good magazine. Now our anxiety is to get it widely circulated and read. **WILL YOU HELP US?**

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY is certainly a most effective "PASTOR'S ASSISTANT."

If your church has not heretofore sent us a club, will you not see that one is sent us **THE COMING YEAR?**

Mr. E. H. Hames, the Business Manager, 289 Fourth Avenue, New York City, will furnish on request, circulars, blanks for subscription lists, and envelopes for distribution in the pews. Our pastors are especially urged to give this matter their prompt attention so that this magazine, already an assured success, may increase its power, its influence and value.

CHAS. J. RYDER.

A CREED FOR THE COUNTRY CHURCH

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WE WILL RENEW our faith in the Church in the Country.

WE WILL BELIEVE in its necessity. We will believe in its success.

WE WILL CONSECRATE our whole life to its service.

WE WILL OVERCOME, with God's help, the mountains of difficulty: poor equipment, wasteful competition, wicked sectarianism, narrow vision of service, inadequate leadership, and limited means.

WE WILL QUIT, if not needed, and UNITE Christian forces to save the Community.

WE WILL SERVE our Community in every way we can, by every means we can. A useful Church does not die.

WE WILL TEACH the people who live on the soil the Doctrine of the Holy Land, and the highest Agricultural Ideals.

WE WILL GIVE UP that selfish individualism which spells suicide. We will develop a rural Co-operation, in business, in politics, in all social life, as well as in Religion.

WE WILL FOSTER the country Home. We will give the country boys and girls a better chance, a life chance, through better schools, more wholesome recreation, and a richer social life, with a training for real success upon the farm and in the rural home.

WE WILL ENERGIZE COUNTRY LIFE with a new determination to make itself happier and more worth while. Please God, we will make country life as efficient as city life. We can make it even more rewarding and satisfying.

ALL THIS SHALL BE OUR ENDEAVOR, and we will not forget to bring meanwhile the strength and consolation of THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD and the redemptive power of the Gospel of Christ for the Human Soul.

WE WILL SPIRITUALIZE THE RURAL LIFE MOVEMENT, if God wills, that our country may be saved from the threatened curse of a sordid materialism. We will inspire our people to feel that Life is more than possessions, that we may save them from their own prosperity.

ALL THIS THAT THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, THE DEMOCRACY OF GOD, MAY COME IN THE OPEN COUNTRY AND THE VILLAGE THROUGHOUT OUR BROAD LAND, FOR "WE SEEK A BETTER COUNTRY, THAT IS, AN HEAVENLY."

PROF. G. WALTER FISKE.

Oberlin College, September 1, 1916.

THE CONGREGATIONAL HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

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The Creed and the poem appearing elsewhere in this issue will be reprinted in an attractive form, and may be had upon application to this office.



The women of our churches who are studying "Old Spain in New America" will surely want copies of the Congregational Manual, which gives full information concerning the part Congregationalism is playing in the redemption of the Spanish-speaking sections of our country. The price of the Manual is ten cents. It may be had at the offices of any of the home-land Societies.



Rev. J. F. Dunstan is prospecting for the Home Missionary Society in Alaska, along the line of the new railroad. Most encouraging reports reach this office as to the opportunity for Christian service. This Society is not doing this work independently, but in co-operation with several other denominations.



Additional new literature now awaits the call of the churches. "Home Missions at a Glance" replaces "Some Things You Did Last Year." Fresh material on Home Missions among miners, lumbermen, and training in industrial work has been placed in leaflet form. A new play, entitled "What Santa Claus Brought to the Parsonage," is also in process of preparation.



Two of the promised new stereopticon lectures are now ready for journeys among the churches. One, descriptive of the home missionary enterprise in Florida, is entitled "Home Missions Under Southern Skies." The lecture was prepared and the seventy beautiful photographs from which the slides were made were taken or collected by Rev. George B. Waldron, Superintendent of our work in that state. The other lecture, "Winning the West for Christ," with its seventy slides, many of them beautifully colored, has been contributed by Rev. Frank L. Moore, Superintendent of Colorado, and relates to Congregationalism in that state.

THE BEGINNINGS OF A NEW FLORIDA EMPIRE

By Superintendent George B. Waldron

"WE will be able to feed half the nation when we get this marvelous country developed," was the enthusiastic statement of the land agent. We were sitting in a land office on the south shore of Lake Okeechobee. Near by was the sixty-foot canal connecting the Lake with the waterway leading to the Gulf. It is a new town, with store, post office, hotel, and a few scattered houses.

Everywhere are evidences of a black, rich muck soil, the product of ages of decayed vegetation. "This is going to be the greatest cattle country in the United States," declared the agent. "With our all-the-year-around crops, we can raise enough on one acre for the complete feeding of three cattle. Contrast this with the rest of the nation, which requires five acres of land to support one cow."

Seventy-five thousand crates of winter vegetables went from this region last winter, and that despite almost prohibitive methods of transportation. But another year will bring the railroad. Already the graders are working that way, and in the town itself are the surveyors, laying out lines toward the east coast. Little wonder, then, that town lots are held at six hundred dollars, while farm property brings from sixty to a hundred and seventy-five dollars an acre. But take no man's word about any Florida property. Investigate with your own eyes before you buy. Florida is full of graveyard hopes of those who trusted the real estate agent too well.

It was eight at night when the auto truck started from Miami, the "Magic City" of the lower east coast, taking our party up the twenty-seven miles of Dixie Highway to Fort Lauderdale, the gateway to the Everglades. Two hours of auto trip along the smooth highway, then an hour of waiting for supplies, and we

were off up the Lauderdale Canal, that takes its beginning in Lake Okeechobee, sixty-one miles to the northwest.

When we opened our eyes a little before sunrise the next morning, we were in the very heart of the mysterious Everglades. So far as eye could see was a flat, desolate country. Not a sound broke the morning stillness, save the beating of the engine and the swish of the water against the banks. Later we saw a few cranes, hawks, buzzards, and other native birds. Two or three times the nose of an alligator pushed a ripple on the canal. One came so near that he paid for his temerity with his life from a gun shot of a member of the party.

Fifty-five miles from Lauderdale we came upon the first evidence of man's activity. Out of the saw grass sprung a little hut and its surrounding garden was of luxuriant growth. On the landing stood the owner, waving to us as we went by. A mile further on we came to Okeelanta, where the cross canal cuts the main channel. On the right bank was a cozy little house, with a porch and clinging vine. On the left was the store and post office, and a dozen people (apparently the entire population) were on the landing to await our arrival.

On questioning the postmaster we learned that the settlement has twice received a visit from Mr. Warren C. Coffin, our summer student missionary from Atlanta Seminary. One of these trips was made in part in a row boat across the open waters of the Lake. On that journey our missionary student spent three days on water and on land. He held several services, rowed his boat forty miles, walked some sixteen miles through the jungle, and came into touch with about two hundred people, many of whom had never before received a visit from a missionary.

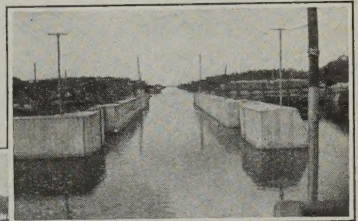
Leaving Okeelanta we passed on up the five miles of canal to the entrance of Lake Okeechobee. About a mile above the town we went through the upper lock, between walls yet under construction. Two years before Captain McQuarrie and the Florida Superintendent, in the Gospel Navy boat, "Evangel," had found it extremely difficult to navigate the tortuous shallow channel into the Lake. But the state dredge has been at work since then, and a broad open channel of about two miles gave an easy passage.

We passed Ritta Island to the left, and beyond was the hotel that marked the little town of Ritta, where Mr. McQuarrie and I had spent our first Sunday during the earlier visit. A little church has been organized, and preaching services are held there every three weeks.

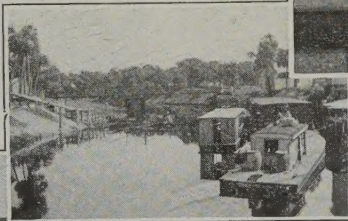
All that afternoon we tossed in

up and down the lake shore. Here is a union Sunday-school, and our missionary has a regular preaching appointment. Most of the people came from the Northwest. Three times a week the mail comes up from La Belle, thirty-five miles to the west, on the Caloosahatchee River.

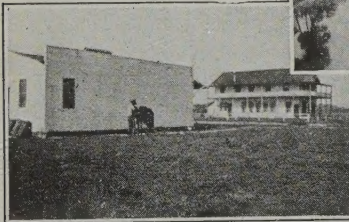
We made the return trip the same afternoon. The little sixteen-foot boat seemed all too small for the journey across the Lake, and the Superintendent breathed a sigh of relief when we were again in the canal. For the most part, except for



LOCK ON CANAL



SCENE AT LA BELLE



VIEW OF PALMDALE

the straight lines of the canal, we seemed to be passing through a country primeval.

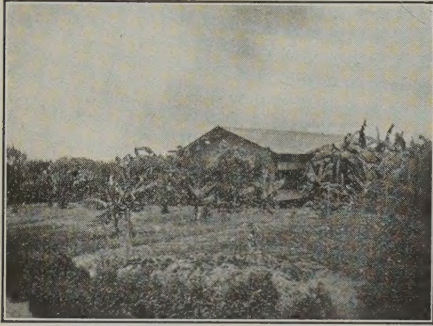
Mail was left at Citrus Center Landing, on the north bank of the canal.

Just at dusk, after twenty miles of straight canal, came the beginning of several miles of twisting and turning—a rapid succession of wonderful views in the half moonlight.

the trough of the waves, a distressing experience to any one with a weak stomach, and when night closed in there was no shore in sight. Some time during the night we rounded the shallows off the west shore and got ourselves aground in the canal that leads to the lively new town of Moore Haven. The place was a year and a day old the morning we landed. Facing the main street is the sixty-foot canal that runs three miles southwest into Lake Hiepochee. About three hundred people get their mail here, but they are scattered for many miles

Then came supper and bed at La Belle, most welcome to the weary traveler. This town is one of the older settlements. It has about six hundred people, and is an important trading center for a wide stretch of country. It was once a boom town, but the new railroad is passing it by. It would be hard to find a more beautiful spot anywhere. Eighteen miles to the northwest, across one of the most wonderful prairies in the South, is Palmdale. It lies on Fisheating Creek, about twelve miles west of Lake Okeechobee. Palmdale is some four

years old. Seventeen hundred holdings of land have been sold. Two years ago the town was eagerly awaiting the railroad pushing down



HOUSE AT OKEELANTA

from the north. Then came the big war, and the grading forces were withdrawn. Hope died for a time, scores of people were obliged to leave temporarily and return to their farms. Now the railroad work has been resumed, and a third of the work which brings the grade into the waiting town has been completed. Here our first church in the Everglades was organized. It meets in the little schoolhouse as yet, but there are four lots in the heart of the town that await the building of a church when the time arrives. The Gospel Navy has been busy developing the church work in Palmdale and at other points in the Okee-



CALOOSAHATCHEE RIVER

chobee region for the past two years. During the summer the work is turned over to Mr. Coffin, of Atlanta Seminary. Now, beginning

with the first of October, the permanent missionary goes upon the field.

At Fort Myers is the hospitable home of Rev. and Mrs. George L. Day, who are to be our first missionaries in the Everglades. It was a pleasure to the Superintendent to be able to spend a night with them. The Days were for three years in frontier mission work in Florida. Before that they were missionaries in Palestine, with headquarters in



S. S. PUPIL AT PALMDALE

the city of old Jerusalem. They are well equipped to serve the new field and they are looking with eager eyes toward their big new parish. Sunday-schools and preaching appointments are theirs to begin with, but with the new railroad pushing its way across the prairie and going through the backbone of their field, who can foretell what even a few months will bring to pass? Yet,

other men and women of consecration will be needed to give this mighty empire the story of the Cross.



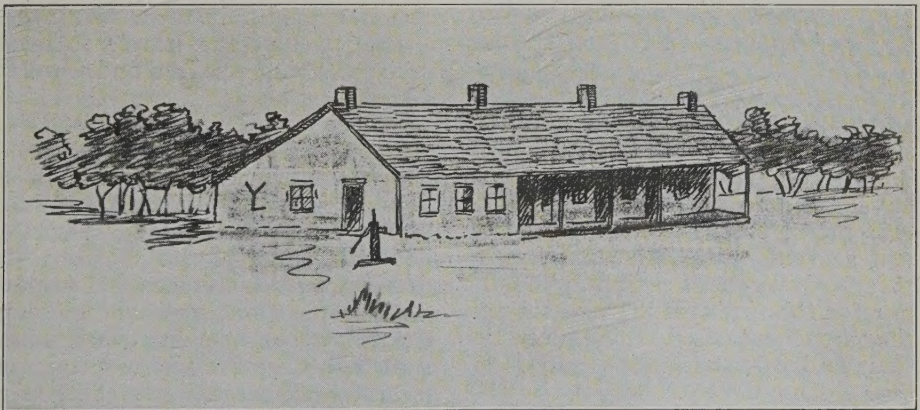
TEXAS SAMARITANS

By Rev. Jesse L. Foster, Muleshoe, Texas

SOME poor people had been wandering in covered wagons for many weary days in search of a new home. The roads were hot and dusty, the youngest child was very sick, and as the tired mother watched by the uncomfortable bed in the wagon where it lay she gave birth to another child, and in five days the new baby died. The family, which consisted of a father already gray (perhaps with trouble), a mother who looked younger, and a number of children, stopped at a farmhouse and asked permission to bury their dead baby, but the farmer refused to allow them to do so on his place. They journeyed on and on until Sunday night, when they stopped at the Y. L. Ranch headquarters, where the people of our mission Sunday-school were meeting for night service. Our usual session was not held. Instead the people gathered about the camp

with sheeting, and in this the dead baby was placed for burial. The missionary conducted a funeral service by the covered wagons, and the little one was laid to rest in the prettiest spot that could be found, at ten o'clock at night. The heart-broken father turned to me and said, "Thank these people for all their kindness to us. Tell them that I can never repay them."

Two years ago, near this very spot, I had preached in the open air, and there we organized the Y. L. Sunday-school. I was not so well acquainted with the people at that time. The night of the funeral we were holding an open air service again, and as I saw my people helping and comforting these poor strangers in distress, I felt that I knew them better than ever before, and I rejoiced in this practical demonstration of their Christianity. These words of our Master came to



Y. L. RANCH HEADQUARTERS

of the travelers, who had no money. The doctor, ten miles away, was sent for. A box was made and covered

me, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the last of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

IN STADY PARISH, NORTH DAKOTA

By Rev. W. C. Allen

THIS large parish includes portions of Williams and Divide Counties, North Dakota. Until one visits this new section of the country the progress and development which is being made along all lines can scarcely be imagined. Only a few years ago the northwestern part of the state was a vast prairie, occupied by a few ranches. Williston was the principal trading post for this territory, with a population of three or four hundred people. There were two large general stores and thirteen saloons in the place. When the land was thrown open for homestead entry, practically every acre of it was filed upon in a brief period of time. The people who come to this part of North Dakota to make a home are intelligent, progressive, and enterprising. Apparently every state in the Union is represented and every nationality in the world.

The people of my field are "new-comers" or those who were the last to settle in this recently developed portion of the state. Very few of them have been here longer than seven or eight years. They have endured hardships and been denied many privileges. The crops have been unusually good, but the marketing of grain from twenty to sixty miles over bad roads has been trying and disheartening. But a better day is dawning. The railroad companies have recognized the importance of this promising agricultural section and are extending their lines so as to afford excellent shipping facilities for the farmers. Two years ago the "Soo" extended their line to the Canada border and then into Montana. The Great Northern is now grading and preparing to build from Wildrose to near the Montana line. The Northwestern Dakota Railroad Company expects to have a line running from Crosby southwest through Stady to within sixteen miles of

Williston. All along these new branches towns are springing up as if by magic. On the Wildrose branch the towns are Corinth, Alamo, and Grenora. In the latter town lots for five banks, five lumber yards, and four hardware stores have been sold.

The people are not only thinking of material gain, but they are mindful of their religious and educational welfare as well. At Alamo, Grenora, and Zahl town sites have been reserved for churches, and whole blocks, well located, for public and high schools. In not a few country places the township schools have been consolidated and modern buildings erected at a cost of several thousand dollars. These are fully equipped for doing efficient educational work. Large sums are also being expended for the improvement of the public highways.

An excellent spirit of co-operation exists between the denominations doing work in this territory. The Presbyterians are working in the eastern part, the Methodists in the western, and the Congregationalists occupy the central field. There is also a splendid interest manifested on the part of the people to maintain preaching services and Sunday-schools.

In order to do efficient work and hold regular services at my eight appointments, it was necessary to secure an auto. By this means I have been able to travel long distances, keep all appointments, foster and develop better methods of work in the Bible schools, seek out new neglected places, visit families isolated from church privileges, and get the members of the same enrolled in a home department of the nearest Sunday-school.

Perhaps an account of one of my trips will give you something of an idea of my experience, and will, I trust, prove interesting. After a

drive of fifty-five miles on a Saturday I arrived at the East Zahl school-house, where we have recently begun holding services. This building is two miles from the new railroad town of Appam, where services will subsequently be held. There are several Scandinavian families in this community, but they earnestly desire to have the gospel preached in the English language. An editor, one of this nationality, recently said, "We want the English service; we are Americans now." Much interest was manifested. At present the missionary furnishes the hymn books, which he carries with him for such emergencies. A secretary has been appointed at this place to look after the distribution of Sunday-school literature until a school can be organized. After this meeting I drive to Marmon, eleven miles away, for the night. On Sunday at 10:30 I hold services here. Our services are held at the home of Mrs. E. Smith. It is centrally located, and Mrs. Smith very kindly invites the people to meet therein. The house contains a number of rooms and a wide porch, and is an ideal place for the Sunday-school sessions. Much interest is manifested in all departments of our church work. The Sunday-school has an efficient corps of officers and teachers, and the Ladies' Aid is much alive and is doing good work. These people are looking forward to erecting a church in the near future. After the service Mrs. Smith furnishes a quick lunch, and the missionary then drives seventeen miles to Angie, where he visits the Sunday-school, and preaches at three p. m. to a full house. This town is located in one of the best agricultural sections of the county. At present our meetings are held in the hall over the store. We expect to fully organize a

church here, and the people are enthusiastic over the prospect of building.

At 4:30 p. m. I drive five miles to the next appointment, where a capacity house is waiting. This is largely a Scandinavian community, and Lutheran services are held once a month in the Norwegian tongue. But upon urgent request, I am giving the people an English service twice a month, which is apparently much appreciated.

At 6 p. m. I drive to Cottonwood Lake, and hold services in the Free Lutheran Church. I always find appreciative congregations at this place. The outlook is most encouraging. This town, which will be called Alamo in the future, has been moved to the western end of the lake, new buildings are under construction, and the population is increasing. The town site company has given us a three-hundred-dollar lot, and we are purchasing the one next to it for two hundred and fifty dollars. The parsonage will be moved to the latter lot at an early day. I remain at Cottonwood Lake for the night. On one occasion when Mrs. Allen and my two young sons accompanied me, we were unable to find accommodations at the hotel, owing to the moving of the town and the resulting unsettled condition of things. We slept in the auto. It was warm the first part of the night, but grew quite cool toward morning. Little Alfred, aged three, woke up and said, "Mamma, I want a house." Early the next morning, being short of funds, we started for Brother Gause's, five miles away. We had gone but a short distance when one of the tires punctured, but we managed to repair it, and arrived at the good brother's in time for breakfast, and ready to begin another day's work.

"Home Missions" is no longer a question of geography—it is a question of problems, no matter where they may be found; in the city or the country, in the East or the West, the North or the South.

THE CIVIC CENTER AND BETTER CITIZENSHIP

By Rev. James D. Dingwell

Reprinted from the September, 1915, "Immigrants In America Review"

WHEN we have a civic building in every community, as conspicuously located and as generously and completely equipped as our Y. M. C. A.'s, we will then be travelling in the direction of "better citizenship" at a considerably accelerated rate of speed. For we will then have a distinctly American institution, sensibly adjusted to the work in hand.

Just at this point, a few plain words as to what we mean by a "Civic Center," and why we need such institutions, may help clear the air. My own understanding of a civic center building, in the interest of better citizenship, is an institution in the community life, based upon the broad and vital principles of American citizenship; an institution whose superlative concern will be first, last, and always, the making of intelligent and cultured American citizens; an institution as moral and religious as America is moral and religious in principle and ideal, and yet absolutely devoid of sectarian propaganda methods and motives. This is the only type of institution that can be called thoroughly American in relation to the immigrant situation as it confronts us to-day, and the only type of institution that has a right to expect the "right of way" to the hearts and minds of "the strangers within our gates." Anything with a sectarian label upon it is neither broad enough nor deep enough to handle actually existing conditions in the truly American spirit.

It is both the right and privilege of any sectarian organization to carry on its particular propaganda in its own way, providing that way is consistent with "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." And each in its own way may be rendering both a conscientious and distinct service in the community life.

But when you make a study of any industrial and manufacturing community to-day, and realize that in it you have anywhere between 40 to 60 different types, (men, women and children, representing that variety of dialect and birthright environment) you readily recognize the necessity of some one common meeting place, if we are to have any homogeneity in America in the future of any kind—in thinking, habits or government.

To illustrate: I know one community as I write, where the so-called Americans of that city are accustomed to think of a certain nationality as inhabiting a particular street. They think of the entire section simply by the name of that one nationality. They do not realize, as some of us do, who have come a little closer to their lives and their needs, that in that one nationality there are five or six different and decided types, who have come from different sections of a general geographical area beyond the seas, and that there are also as many different aspects of religious aspiration among them. And yet the traditional native American simply thinks of that section of the city as the part in which the Syrians live.

Now when you multiply what you find in that one section in the way of dialect and creed, by 10 to 20 other nationalities located in other sections of the same community life, you get some idea of the need of a Civic Center Building, in the ordinary industrial and manufacturing community, if we would have any common ideals in the direction of American citizenship. The American Constitution guarantees personal liberty in things civil and religious, consistent with law. But American common sense ought to be able to understand that the "57 varieties," having their own peculiar home

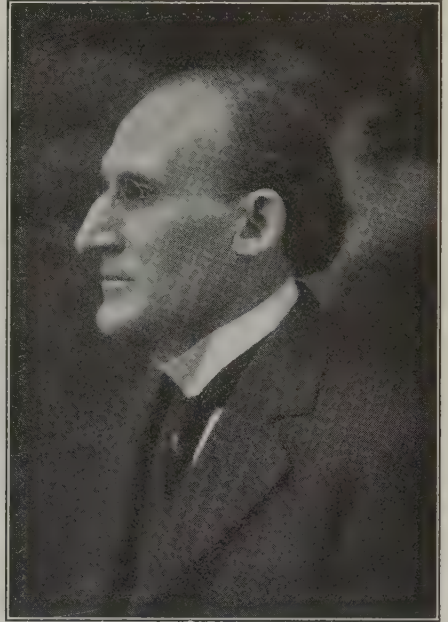
habits and church habits, must be afforded a civic center meeting ground for instruction and fellowship in things fundamentally American, if we would have a Democracy that would be unified, intelligent, influential, and permanent. And those of us who think of ourselves as real and native Americans need this kind of mingling in the interest of the future, just as much as do our foreign friends.

It was to meet such existing conditions in our own community life that the Pawtucket Civic Theater was instituted in the spring of 1913. Our meetings were held in a theater for the sake of rising above all sectarian and selfish interests. It was called the "Civic Theater," because we wished to make plain that our chief concern was the effort to develop American citizens. Our first local public announcement concerning name and purpose read, "The Civic Theater or School in American Citizenship." The president of our committee and organization is ex-Governor James H. Higgins, a devout and loyal Irish Roman Catholic; our treasurer is a man of like religious temperament and relationship. We have leading men and women of all religious types upon our committee, and we are all a unit in the ultimate purpose of our endeavor.

The size of our audience is limited only by the capacity of our theater. We can seat 1,500; frequently, however, we have crowded in 1,800. We have issued invitations in six different foreign languages. Because of our limited seating capacity we allow only foreign-speaking peoples to enter. In addition, of course, is the committee in charge and a company of representative citizens, men and women, who come to share their life and encouragement with the movement. This latter aspect of our activity is perhaps the most telling of all—the friendly contact, the looking into one another's faces and the friendly handshakes as exchanged

between the man of strange tongue and habits, and the native-born citizen of the community. Boys and girls over 14 years, we allow in unaccompanied; we believe that they are the best kind of interpreters of American ideals to the home life.

We hold a series of meetings each year. Those meetings are held on Sunday nights. No admission fee is charged. The work is supported



REV. JAMES D. DINGWELL

principally by the free-will gifts of interested individuals, the only conspicuous additional gift coming from the Pawtucket's Woman's Club.

The major part of the program in time and influence has been made up of moving pictures and illustrated lectures. The moving pictures have been chosen with the distinct thought of their educational value from the American point of view. We use three fifteen-minute films every night and plan to have them cover the following subjects: industrial or scenic; sociological; and always a patriotic film in clos-

ing. The audience being largely made up of non-English speaking people, one can easily see how effectively such subjects can be presented. The pictures are always reviewed by the program committee and the different interpreters before the regular public gathering. In this way everything objectionable can be eliminated. Frequently we have used two films rather than three, because in reviewing we have discovered some unhelpful or objectionable feature in one of the reels and the several interpreters are given a special opportunity to study the pictures and pick out the vital things necessary to be made plain to their respective nationalities.

Each interpreter, in a five-minute address in his native language, tells his own people the significance of the pictures to be shown on a particular evening. This part of the interpreter's work comes after the opening musical program and prepares the audience to appreciate with both eye and mind the teaching contained in the pictures. Five to seven interpreters assist in almost every meeting. Our musical program is always of the highest class available and consists of choruses, solos, instrumental and vocal; orchestra, and sometimes, as once last season, a band. On one evening we had the Polish Singing Society; on another the German Singing Society; on other evenings we have had the parochial Polish school children; we also have had choruses from some of our local churches.

Every meeting is presided over by some prominent business man, educator or social worker. Such presiding officer introduces the different numbers on the program and makes

a brief address along some particular patriotic line. For instance, the evening President Faunce of Brown University presided, he spoke of the variety of contribution made by the incoming foreigners to our American life.

When you come to tabulate results of such work, they are not always as conspicuous as many people would like to see. On the whole, however, the work of the Civic Theater in Pawtucket has gone far beyond our expectations. It is too



CIVIC THEATER, PAWTUCKET, R. I.

great and too glorious a task—the work we are trying to accomplish—to achieve in a hurry. A few of the things already accomplished may be of interest in concluding this brief article.

We have positively proven that there is a common meeting ground in our American life for all classes and all creeds and all nationalities. Had we proved nothing further, this, it would seem to me, would be worth all of our effort and expenditure. Another thing, that is beautifully obvious in connection with our work is that it has opened up a common sense, vital avenue, whereby many of our truly sincere and capable men and women find a natural opportunity to express the deeper desires of their hearts to help their

less favored fellow-citizens. This is manifest, not alone through the money contributions which they make, but more particularly through their desire to be present at the meetings and to share their friendship with those in whose midst they sit during the evening. Women out of our most wealthy and cultured homes have been anxious to share their lives with us in those meetings, not in a spirit of curiosity, but in a genuine spirit of human friendship and natural service. It has already broken down barriers, such as exist in too many communities, between the native-born American and the so-called "foreigner." It has served to reinterpret to us all the meaning of the great divine-human phrases, the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

The Civic Theater meetings have done another thing, they have placed the thought of American citizenship on a high and dignified plane. The seriousness and sacredness of Amer-

ican citizenship, as well as its glory and privilege, is always conspicuously evident in every gathering.

If in addition to our great Sunday night meetings, we had a Civic Center Building, that could be kept open every day and night in the week, and facilities whereby we could touch every legitimate aspect of life through training, then we could even hope to see greater and better things accomplished than the things already noted, which have so greatly inspired our devotion to the civic center idea. The civic principle and approach is not only the common sense path for every worker interested in the immigrant situation and better citizenship, but it is the psychological path, and the psychological approach. How long will it take us to see that such a civic building in every community is not alone a necessity in the interest of "better citizenship," but one of the most economic investments that can be made?



HOME MISSIONS THROUGH NINE DECADES

By Honorary Secretary J. B. Clark

THE year of our Lord 1826, and the month of May! John Quincy Adams was President of the United States; George IV. was on the throne of England; Victoria was a princess of the realm, seven years old; Napoleon had been dead five years, and all Europe was at peace.

The United States were twenty-four in number, all but two of them east of the Mississippi. There were four territories—Florida, Arkansas, Michigan, and the immense territory of Missouri, stretching north to the Canada line, and holding in trust for the future ten empire states of the West. The northern boundary of Mexico pressed hard on the southern boundary of Oregon, and there were not wanting marauding Villas, to be chased

home but seldom caught. The population of the country was 11,000,000, and in the whole land were just two miles of railroad—between Quincy and Milton—a horse railroad, too. The Congregational churches were 1,200 in number, and their membership about 140,000.

Such were conditions, local and national, when The American Home Missionary Society began to be. Like most children, this home missionary infant entered the world with little observation. Here and there, a devout Simeon, a praying Anna, and a band of wise men of the East, bringing gifts, foresaw the promise. Like most children, also, it began life with inherited obligations. Other societies, scattered and local, had labored. The National Society entered into their labors and assumed their obligations.

The First Decade

For two years the young child was finding its feet. Then it faced West and began its travels. Before the end of the first ten years it had penetrated Indiana and Illinois. The state of Wisconsin and the Territory of Michigan were entered, and the yet youthful Society had begun to magnify its national name and character.

The Second Decade

During the next ten years our missionary force in Illinois more than doubled. About that time an Illinois Band, from Yale, the first of a series of such bands, began work in the central part of that state. At the close of the Black Hawk War the northern counties were opened to settlement. It was then that the feeble hamlet of Chicago, with its 300 people, listened to its first sermon. The preacher was Jeremiah Porter. His church was a shop and his pulpit a carpenter's bench, but his text was prophetic—"Herein is my Father glorified that ye bear much fruit." Three months after that rude service he organized the first church in Chicago, with twenty-seven members. In eighteen months he had brought it to self-support, so rich was the soil for home missionary planting and so swift the harvest. Dr. Porter lived to greet the Columbia Exposition, in the third city in the land, and to rejoice, with something of a father's pride, over its splendid group of Christian churches.

The Third Decade

The third decade was marked by three events, each destined, in different ways, to affect home missionary history. One was the gathering of the Andover Iowa Band, a company of eleven youthful apostles, as truly called and commissioned as the original twelve. Without disparagement of other noble workers in that state, it is not too much to claim that these eleven men and their wives were the chief founders

of Iowa's faith prosperity. Under the impulse of their labors our missionary force leaped from six to forty-one.

The second event of this period was the discovery of gold on the Pacific Coast. The Society was a little in advance of that discovery. On the first steamer that sailed from New York for the Isthmus with passengers for California, were two home missionaries. This was in 1848, and months before the wild rush of gold seekers began. These men had staked their claim, not for glittering dust but for the precious souls of men.

The third event was the dissolution of the historic "Plan of Union" between Congregationalists and Presbyterians on missionary ground. A plan so unique, so absolutely unparalleled in missionary history, and so amicably maintained for fifty years, calls for more than passing mention.

The Plan itself was a model of simplicity. It provided that a Presbyterian and a Congregational church on the same ground, and both drawing help from the missionary treasury, should worship in the same building, use the same creed and confession, unite in the calling and support of the same minister, and to this extent be one church, while in all questions of discipline and polity each church should follow its own rules of procedure.

The Plan was wise, ideal, economical, Christian, and because it possessed all these qualities, it was bound to survive, and did survive for fifty years. Why, then, did it dissolve? The answer is not as complimentary to ourselves as we could wish. The Presbyterian church was a highly organized body, with the *esprit de corps* of an army, and equipped with the machinery. The Congregationalism of that day had little of denominational self-consciousness, little organized life, and only feeble ambition in the matter of expansion. Under these condi-

tions Presbyterians saw their advantage and took it, without serious rivalry on the part of Congregationalists. But when it came to be realized, and was made public, that while the Congregationalists of New England were contributing most of the missionary funds, the Presbyterians of the West were gaining most of the churches, the dissolution of the Plan of Union became inevitable, and it came to an end in 1852, with the mutual good will of both the contracting parties.

This third decade, however, was rich in buried seed, and not with seed only but with fruit as well. The Ohio force leaped from fifty-three to ninety-three; the Indiana force from twenty-one to sixty; that of Illinois from five to thirty; Michigan from twenty-six to eighty; Wisconsin from eight to seventy-two; Iowa from six to forty; while three new territories—Minnesota, Oregon, and California were entered for the first time.

The Fourth Decade

The fourth period may be called the Kansas and Nebraska decade. True to our pioneer policy we entered the territory of Kansas with its first settlers, and side by side with them, we fought the battle of freedom against intriguing politicians and border bandits. That story is known to the world, but only the letter files of the Society reveal the secret history of faith and courage which contributed so powerfully to the result.

The missionary history of Nebraska began one year later than that of Kansas, with Reuben Gaylord as its hero, at a village known then, and known still, as Omaha. These were the golden days of emigration from the East, and every prairie schooner, plodding its weary way from the New England farm to the Western plains, was a new appeal for the support of the Home Missionary Society. But our tables for these years reveal one ominous portent which might have been recog-

nized as a prophecy had men been wise to read. I mean the steady dropping out of missionaries from the Southern States. The irrepressible conflict had begun. The South Carolina force expired as early as 1831, and was never renewed. Then quickly followed Florida, North Carolina, Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi, and Georgia. One by one these states were abandoned, not willingly, but under compulsion of pro-slavery sentiment, until in 1854, one Georgia missionary—a lone sentinel—remained to represent the Society in the Southern belt. From that point stretches a dreary blank, until in 1867, a new South and a new civilization began to dawn above the smoke of war.

The Fifth Decade

Through these portents and prophecies we are brought to the saddest of all decades in history—the decade of the Civil War. Every public interest suffered alike. Nearly every state where the Society had work showed a steady decline of churches and men. Receipts fell off disastrously. The whole thought and strength of the nation were concentrated upon the problem of existence. A country must be saved from mortal peril before it could be further redeemed unto God, and the Society went into winter quarters, threw up works to hold its ground as it best could, until the storm of war should be overpast.

But while forced to arrest its advance for awhile, the Society was not without its war record. A chivalrous Southern orator of the period paid an unconscious tribute to Home Missions when he declared: "There would have been no war, if, when the Pilgrims entered Massachusetts Bay, instead of landing on Plymouth Rock the Rock had landed on them." Very likely. For when the inevitable struggle came, the meaning and value of fifty years of church planting in the West and Northwest began to appear. Every home missionary pulpit flamed with

patriotic fire and sounded its call to arms. Congregations and Bible schools were decimated by enlistments. From a careful estimate made near the close of the war, it was found that the home missionary churches of the entire West, on both sides of the Mississippi, had sent into the army one in four of their male membership. It was that fact, when made public, that led Dr. Storrs, in his Brooklyn pulpit, to declare, "Home Missions saved this country once and will save it again, if necessary."

With the first note of peace, aggressive work was renewed. Michigan, Minnesota, Kansas, and Nebraska doubled their force. Six new territories—Dakota, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, and Washington were entered. The first Southern state to recover was Florida, and under the impulse of Northern immigration the movement began that resulted in adding more than fifty churches in that state to the Congregational household.

The Sixth Decade

Our rapid review brings us to the glorious sixth decade—the richest and most fruitful period in the Society's history up to that time. Figures that prove that claim can not be called dry—they palpitate with life. In Ohio our missionary force leaped from twenty-one to forty-six; in Indiana from eight to thirty-one; in Illinois from forty-eight to sixty-eight; in Missouri from thirty to thirty-six; in Michigan from ninety-five to one hundred and forty-nine; in Oregon from four to eighteen; in Washington from eight to fifty-two, and in California from twenty-nine to ninety-six. Georgia, Alabama, and Louisiana were re-entered, and Montana was entered for the first time.

These rapid advances in the field were coincident with a rapid expansion of funds. The yearly income was more than doubled. Three foreign departments were organized, manned by able Superintendents.

The Annual Meeting graduated from a small office in the Bible House that was never half filled to the largest church in Saratoga, where for successive years it became an occasion of popular interest and of marked spiritual power. A Woman's Department was organized, and in forty-two states and territories homeland societies for women only were organized and contributed an average of \$50,000 annually to the national treasury.

It was the golden era of Home Missions. The Society stood on the mountain top of achievement and promise, wholly unready to be plunged into the darkest valley of despair.

The Seventh Decade

Yet that is what happened near the opening of the seventh decade. Industrial and commercial disaster, nation-wide, and almost world-wide, will never be forgotten. It struck the Society with its sails all spread and in the full tide of success. Receipts dropped rapidly, until we faced an appalling deficit of \$150,000.

Nearly two thousand men were under commission. They must be paid, and paid regularly. If not from current receipts, then with bank loans at a costly interest. In spite of drastic retrenchments the debt continued to roll up. Salaries and office expenses were reduced to the lowest terms consistent with efficiency, and apportionments were cut down—sometimes cut in two. A missionary in charge of one church was called upon to do the work of two, frequently of three and four. The story of suffering and self-denial will never be told, and could be measured only by those who stood in official relation to our men and women at the front.

And, yet, wonderful as it may seem, to those burdened men and women is due the fact that through all these years of stress, our field work maintained its old level, and even increased at points. While

the force of workers was reduced nearly one-half, more stations were occupied, more churches organized than in any previous decade. There were more additions to membership, more Sunday-schools, and more Bible classes. Nothing seemed to have failed but money. The courage of the men and the patience of the women rose grandly to the occasion. They bore, in their own bodies, the heavy burdens of the Society with a courage and devotion that stand to their everlasting honor.

The Eighth Decade

This decade of the Society's history opened under a staggering incubus of debt. Despair weighed in the office and upon the field, when, almost without warning, things began to happen. The financial skies brightened; a large, long-delayed legacy matured; current receipts showed gains, and advanced so rapidly that in a few months they reached and passed, for the first time in our history, the half million mark. The days of our mourning were ended; the old ship was off the rocks, floating on an even keel and once more ready to spread her sails for new ventures.

The most significant event of this eighth period was the rapid expansion of our work among immigrant populations. For some years our foreign departments had been almost fatally handicapped by lack of foreign-speaking teachers and preachers. They were not to be found in the country, while the cost of importing them from the Old World was almost prohibitive. In this acute crisis, colleges and seminaries came to the Society's relief. Chicago and Crete Seminaries started their German Departments to train men for our use. Carleton College responded with its Scandinavian Department. Oberlin followed with her Slavic Department, Cleveland opened a training school for Bible readers, and the American-French College at Springfield, Mas-

sachusetts, soon had more than a hundred young men and women fitting themselves for missionaries, not only among the French Canadians, but among Italians, Armenians, Greeks, Japanese, Syrians, and Assyrians. Never was assistance more timely, more welcome, and when from these various schools a stream of graduates began to pour forth, every one consecrated and prepared for service among their own people, foreign-speaking stations seemed to spring into life with almost magic rapidity. It was the initial movement of that great revival of interest among the churches in foreign missions at home which continues to the present day, and which will never be less.

So runs the story of eighty years of Congregational Home Missions, a panorama of mingling light and shade, but more of sun than of shade; of doubts, fears, and sometimes of despair, but followed always by renewed faith and hope, and crowned with glorious achievement.

The Ninth Decade

The closing period of these ninety years is recent history, familiar to all, and not for me, a looker-on, to treat in any detail. It is known and admired as the triumphant culmination of four score and ten years of missionary endeavor, reflecting equal honor upon our official board for their wise administration, upon our missionary force at the front for their loyal co-operation, and upon the churches for their unshaken and growing confidence and support.

In one respect this period has a unique claim upon our memory. It has been marked by a reconstruction of the organic law of the Society, and by a closer consolidation of all the interests which it represents. The constitution of the Fathers was found to be archaic, and a new constitution, admirably adapted to the times, has replaced the old. Certain terms long familiar

in the home missionary vocabulary have disappeared. There are no more "auxiliaries," so called, but "Constituent States;" no more "Missionary States," but "Co-operating States," while regions beyond, not yet fully organized, are to be known as "missionary districts." Such changes may seem trivial, but they are large with meaning, for they mean closer bonds of fellowship between the Society and its workers; they mean a new sense of co-partnership in the great business of Home Missions; they mean consolidation of interests—the spirit of mutual helpfulness—and, more than all, they mean a stronger claim than ever upon the confidence and support of the churches.

And the churches themselves, through the National Council, are taking a step forward to further consolidation. The alignment of our Societies in groups of kindred work, rather than in isolated units, has long been the desire of the churches. That desire approaches fulfillment.

And now to sum up in a few sentences the results of ninety years of Home Missions: We have entered every state and territory in the Union; we have helped to bring thirteen states to self-support; the 1,200 churches of 1826 have multi-

plied to over 6,000, and an overwhelming majority of them were brought to birth and nursed to strength by the Home Missionary Society. The 140,000 Congregational members have grown to 768,000, a good proportion of them brought into the new life by the agency of the Society.

Beginning ninety years ago with 170 commissioned men in the field, we have to-day, under commission 1,840 missionaries, 433 of them preaching in twenty-four foreign languages, to adopted Americans. Starting out with a capital of \$18,000, we have received in free will offerings from individuals and churches more than \$28,000,000. A few years hence, only ten, our churches will assemble in a great convention to celebrate the centennial of Home Missions. We shall not all be there, but many will see that day, and whatever just pride you may take in the story as you shall hear it told—in whatever jubilation you may feel inclined to indulge—one song, I am sure, will spring to every lip—the song of the Psalmist: "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name, for Thy mercy, and for Thy truth's sake, be all the Glory."



A LENTEN MISSION STUDY CLASS

THOUGH the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Congregational church at Peace Dale, Rhode Island, nearly all belong to circles of King's Daughters which attend to local charities, it occurred to some of the ladies that we were not doing quite as much home missionary work as would be desirable. A good barrel, therefore, was packed at Christmas time one year, and the pleasure we felt in contributing to the needs of a family on the frontier was so evident that the custom was repeated the following season. It did not in-

terfere at all with the regular work of the society.

We were without a pastor for nearly a year, and it seemed necessary to make a special effort to work together and develop our sense of responsibility to those whom we could help. A mission study class was accordingly started, with the idea of doing some actual work for those on the home mission field, while enlarging our outlook in regard to Missions in general. The class met one day a week during Lent for an hour in the afternoon. The first year Dr. Faunce's book, "The Social Aspect

of Foreign Missions," was read aloud, with interest and profit to all who were able to attend.

We tried to have the machine stitching done in advance and material prepared for hand sewing, so that the reading could go forward without interruption. The first year ninety-three articles were made, mostly during the meetings. Those that we were unable to finish were taken to people in the neighborhood who were glad to earn a little in this way, and the money to pay for it was contributed by members of the class.

On account of the bad weather last season, fewer members were able to attend, but quite a number of little garments were made. The materials were contributed by individuals, and partly because small garments require less cloth than large ones, and partly because we learned that small garments would be especially acceptable, we have made chiefly rompers, in two sizes, and baby clothes. We have selected materials serviceable but not ugly.

The members have been interested in this work, and it seems possible that the Lenten Study Class may de-

velop into a definite home mission section of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. There seems to be no room for a separate organization in our church, and many of our members can contribute only time and work. The plan of devoting a certain period to work for the home mission field has commended itself to the members of the Woman's Missionary Society, and it is capable of expansion. It might be adapted to other churches like that in Peace Dale, where one set of women seems to belong to nearly everything connected with the church work, and therefore sometimes feel themselves "cumbered with much serving." There are many books which could be read aloud at such meetings, and those used by our society were helpful and interesting.

Without the ready help of a competent work committee we could have done little; but except for that committee, and a leader who opened the meetings with a brief prayer, and either read aloud herself or arranged that there should be a reader, there was no formal organization, all arrangements being kept as elastic as possible. H. H. B.



IN THE TIMBER COUNTRY OF LOUISIANA

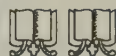
Picturesque and appealing perhaps beyond any other work in this entire district is that of the rural churches in Louisiana. Three men under commission, and one or two volunteer helpers, have toiled through the year. Their work is almost exclusively evangelistic, though they have been trying, under many difficulties, to stress efficiency in Sunday-school and training work. There are about a dozen churches and some preaching stations. Usually the meetings are held but once a month, sometimes bi-monthly, yet these men have reported seventy-six accessions to the churches, more than eighty per cent. of them on confession of faith. There is a total membership

of 481 in the twelve churches. The equipment is very limited. Some of them have no houses of worship. One congregation has been meeting in a hastily constructed "leaf arbor," which can be used only in pleasant weather, and when it is stormy the private houses must be utilized. However, ample ground has been donated by a local company, and this church hopes to provide itself with a permanent sanctuary during the coming summer. It would be hard to find more devoted, sincere piety anywhere in the land than is manifested by our good Congregational friends in the timber country of Louisiana. May they multiply and prosper!



THE TREASURY

THE CONGREGATIONAL HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY



MONTHLY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

1916		GIFTS FROM THE LIVING					LEGACIES
		Contributions	From State Societies	Total	Paid State Societies	Net Available for National Work	
FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER	Av'ge three previous yrs.	\$ 3,160.99	\$ 1,460.12	\$ 4,621.11	\$ 967.65	\$ 3,653.46	\$ 4,016.02
	Present year.....	4,186.66	1,189.56	5,376.22	869.48	4,506.74	1,442.80
	Increase.....	\$ 1,025.67	.....	\$ 755.11	.....	\$ 853.28	.....
	Decrease.....	.....	\$ 270.56	.....	\$ 98.17	.....	\$ 2,573.22
FOR SIX MONTHS FROM APRIL 1	Av'ge three previous yrs.	\$31,495.54	\$11,696.56	\$ 43,192.10	\$12,984.91	\$ 30,297.19	\$ 56,637.03
	Present year.....	31,623.57	13,320.95	44,944.52	15,598.64	29,345.88	136,605.60
	Increase.....	\$ 128.03	\$ 1,624.39	\$ 1,752.42	\$ 2,703.73	.....	\$ 79,968.57
	Decrease .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 951.31	.....

The Congregational Home Missionary Society has three main sources of income. Legacies furnish, though very irregularly, approximately, forty-eight per cent., or \$120,000 annually. To avoid fluctuation, when more is received, it is placed in the Legacy Equalization Fund. Investments furnish nine per cent., or about \$23,000 annually. Contributions from churches, societies and individuals afford substantially forty-three per cent., or \$108,000 annually. For all but eighteen states the treasurer of The Congregational Home Missionary Society receives and expends these contributions. In those eighteen states, affiliated organizations administer home missionary work in co-operation with The Congregational Home Missionary Society. Each of these organizations forwards a percentage of its undesignated receipts to the national treasury. To each of these national treasury forwards a percentage of undesignated contributions from each state respectively. The percentages to The Congregational Home Missionary Society in the various states are as follows:

California (North), 5; California (South), 5; Connecticut, 60; Illinois, 25; Iowa, 25; Kansas, 5; Maine, 10; Massachusetts, 33 1-3; Michigan, 15; Minnesota, 5; Missouri, 5; Nebraska, 5; New Hampshire, 50; New York, 10; Ohio, 13; Rhode Island, 20; Vermont, 33; Washington, 3; Wisconsin, 10.

DEAD LEVEL

It looks good to see a substantial increase in contributions for the month. It would look still better if the "Net Available" for national home missionary work were not \$951.31 less the first half of the year than that for the average of the past three years. Candidly, we seem to have struck a dead level in giving for Home Missions. This, while wealth increases, members increase, needs increase, expenses increase, everything increases except the salaries of self-sacrificing home missionaries. Shall we not break this dead level, and see to it that the prosperity which sends prices soaring does not crush the home missionary at a time when his spiritual message is so desperately needed? Why not add ten per cent. to the salaries of the 1,600 home missionaries whose salaries were inadequate when living was lower? An extra \$50,000 annually for Home Missions would bring this to pass, for with it we could challenge the home missionary churches to increase their gifts and provide a living wage for the pastor.

The City of Open Air

By Charles Poole Cleaves.

Far out from the man-made cities, from clamor and dust and glare,
In the charm of the hill-girt country lies the City of Open Air.
It hath no date of building, for it grew when the world began,
And the Builder builded to satisfy the heart of the coming man.

Afar on the miles of sky-line I trace each tower and dome,
Where the sparrow, amid her altars, has nested her younglings' home;
Gallery, studio, temple, and school of music and arts;
And the key to every building is hung in the children's hearts.

There is ripple of laughing water in the lap of the mother hills;
The beast, the bird, and the flower refreshed by the winding rills.
The days of blue-domed wonder and the nights of unhid stars
And the dawn's dew flashing answer to the heliotrope of Mars.

Here let the life's illusions yield to the Holy Name;
Hither to find His Spirit the lowliest Master came.
Here for the child and the toiler the leaves sing love and cheer
And the soul of the Sabbath stillness whispers its meaning here.

A path winds out from the valley and quests a secret shrine,
Somewhere, hidden and waiting, in the cloisters of fir and pine.
No need of human fingers where the wind knows pipe and string
Nor of chant of vested choir where the birds of woodland sing.

Somehow the sins and follies of the heart are purged away;
Somehow the dusk of doubting dissolves in the splendid day;
Somehow the long-hung burden seems light as the song-bird's care;
And you kneel and know that your prayer is heard in the temple of Open Air.

I love this vast, wide city! Escaped from towns of men,
The canoied streets that cross the sky, O life grows sweet again!
Do you ask, where lies the city? Ah, I need not tell you where!
For all the streets of Rome lead out to the City of Open Air.

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WILLIAM HAYES WARD, D. D.

DR. WARD became a member of the Executive Committee of the American Missionary Association in 1881, exactly thirty-five years ago in the month of October. He had then been one of the editors of the Independent thirteen years, and was already recognized as having attained eminence as a clear thinker and vigorous writer.

It was a gracious providence for the Association and the peoples whose welfare it seeks, when this editor and scholar brought to it in the full strength of early middle age his enthusiastic devotion to its principles and its service. While the Association had won national recognition as a far-reaching Christian benevolence, its faith was often challenged and it called for a direction that could stand firm against compromising prejudices and temporizing policies which often influentially projected themselves. It was here that the support of Dr. Ward with his positive and firm convictions became a great contribution. Some of us will remember how earnestly at the National Coun-

cil in 1889 he championed from the platform the anti-caste principles of the Association in behalf of its churches in the South, and against their exclusion from association in Christian organizations. It was largely due to Dr. Ward that the Council put on its record that "the Congregational churches must give no just ground for the charge of forgetting their unswerving allegiance to the doctrine that God hath made of one blood all the nations of the earth; that every Christian without regard to race, color or language is the peer of every other Christian in the rights which appertain to membership in the church of Christ; that no church can rightly exclude from membership any Christian for the reason of race or color, and that no organization can exclude for that reason any church otherwise qualified."

While Dr. Ward recognized that in the present difference in intellectual and spiritual conditions of the Negro people, it might be best for them to have their own racial churches, his plea was eloquent that the ban of caste should not obtain,

either in form or spirit. The Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man were to him fundamental and sacred realities, and not mere sentiments to be only and devoutly pronounced on occasions.

Not merely in distinctively church relations, but in all that pertained to man as man, his convictions were no less pronounced and earnest. This gave him his estimate of schools and methods of education for the Negro race, and his emphasis that the real educational ideals must consider the whole of one's nature. Education rightly termed practical contemplates all groups and all classes lower and higher, and inasmuch as the majority of men and women must labor with their hands, they should be prepared to do this intelligently and wisely. But Dr. Ward stressed the higher education; this not only because the avenues of knowledge should be equally open to the Negro as to others, but also because he felt that there is a great difference between what we might call a long-range and a short-range practicality. For the permanent and far-reaching results in the upbuilding of a race, he said he would give more for ten men who had genuine power and character gained by a thorough intellectual discipline and training, than for five hundred who had the rudimentary attainments gained in lower schools. If we could raise up teachers and preachers of intellectual strength and assured character, who would be constructive with initiative and progressive influence, centers of a social and moral potency to help the race to measure up to the full height of the American citizenship we should

have the master key to the whole problem.

So for thirty-five continuous years this scholar who loved his books; this editor upon whom demands were always pressing; this author whose calls for his research and accurate scientific knowledge were ever asking for what he could give, yet found time to bring all that he was in the witnessing of his convictions and in the endeavor to transmute them into life and character. Earnestly radical in these convictions but patiently wise, he knew that the transformation of belated races is not a matter of today or tomorrow, but of generations; that the ripened fruit of the tree of life comes by long processes and that only faith and patience would inherit the promises. The evolution even though it is divine will abide its time, but no one could be more confident than was he that God is shaping a free and civilized nation out of the diverse elements of this republic by a law of progress which man did not make and which man cannot repeal. However this may be hindered by ignorance or folly, Dr. Ward did not have a doubt that the divine event would come when Justice would be enthroned in the institutions of our government. It was in this faith he lived and worked. It was this which kept him hopeful and cheerful when principles very sacred to him seemed to be surrendered to temporizing views or policies.

It is with a profound feeling of inexpressible loss that we place upon our records our sense of bereavement in the death of one whose personality and character made him well beloved of his associates.

DAY BREAK

Rev. George Marion McClellan, a graduate of Fisk University and of Hartford Theological Seminary.

Awake, arise O men of my race!
 I see our morning star,
 And feel the dawn-breeze on my face
 Creep inward, from afar.

Arise, my men, be wide awake
 To hear the bugle call,
 For Negroes everywhere to break
 The bands that bind us all.

Though wrongs there are, and
 wrongs have been,
 And wrongs we still must face,
 We have more friends than foes
 within
 The Anglo-Saxon race.

Our Portion is and yet will be
 To drink a bitter cup
 In many things, yet all must see
 The race is moving up.

Oh, men of my race, awake! arise!
 Our morning's in the air;
 There's scarlet all along the skies;
 Our day breaks everywhere.

RACIAL PREJUDICE

Rev. F. Q. Blanchard

IT is a critical question for American Christianity whether or no it shall be permanently halted by the antipathies of race. Many an event must waken our profound anxiety. Some years ago, a great convention of Sunday Schools, heralded as the mightiest gathering of its sort ever seen, included as one of its features a parade of the delegates. It so happened that some colored people were in attendance. When, however, they proposed to march through the streets of the capital of a free country in company with the rest of the delegates, white followers of a Lord who ate with sinners and outcasts and the hated Samaritans indignantly declared they would not tolerate such a proceeding. I venture the assertion that such a repudiation of the principles of Jesus did far more harm to

the cause of Christ in America than all the bombast and blare of the days that followed could possibly do good.

Such circumstances show what the struggle really is. For though we could cover Africa with missionary stations, though we could send a teacher for every black boy and girl in this land, though we have amazing faith that missions are the saving power of the church but have not love, it profiteth us nothing. Love will refuse to be denied by racial barriers. We must have love on her own universal terms or accept a counterfeit.

Prejudice cannot be battered down by argument. It cannot be caught by logic. It can at last be dissolved in the passion of real Christianity. That passion, thank God, has found ere this hearts big

enough for its enthronement. Men and women have gone forth to misunderstanding, abuse and ostracism swayed by a conception of Christianity which had outlawed compromise on elemental truths. Their names are written in light and their achievement provokes reverent homage. But they without us shall not be made perfect. Of what avail now our splendid organization, our increasing equipment for service, our vision broadened by the spirit of the age, if being brought face to face with manhood under a black skin our eyes are holden and we perceive it not? Of what account to send the gospel to Africa if we propose to repudiate it at our own doors?

Under such conditions figures of progress are a poor consolation. They may well be left to the statisticians while we return and listen to the prophetic voices of those to whom there has been one Lord and Saviour for all.

When the line of battle is long and the numbers great, real progress is

slow. Uncounted dollars for bursting shrapnel and thousands on thousands of human lives are paid as toll for a few hundred yards of blood-soaked trenches on the soil of France. Advance will be not more rapid as the spirit of brotherly Christ refuses to be halted by the embattled forces of racial prejudice. The crucial question is whether or not we believe in the crusade. Is there deep in our hearts the invincible courage of the conviction that the gospel of Jesus is adequate? Can he if lifted up, draw all men to himself? From this insistent query there is no escape.

We are still reminded that Jesus of Nazareth had a sympathy larger than race as well as a vision wider than national boundaries. From his immortal lips fell the parable of "the least of these my brethren," and if it shall be our honor to keep the faith, we shall repeal no word of his gospel and we shall follow unhesitatingly the sacrificial steps of the early church.

THE YANKEE SCHOOLMA'AM IN NEGRO EDUCATION

Mr. W. T. B. Williams, Field Agent for the Slater and Jeanes Fund, in an admirable address delivered at the Emancipation Day Exercises of Hampton, Va., pays such a just tribute to the Christian teachers of our missionary schools that we desire to put it upon the permanent record of the American Missionary. We regret that the limitations of our space confine us simply to excerpts where nothing should be omitted.

HOW shall we account for that development on the part of the Negro which is not only giving him confidence in himself and in his ability to meet the high conditions of citizenship in this republic, but is inspiring faith in the hearts of his fellow white citizens? Who and what have wrought this change in half a century? Material aid and helpful sympathy have come from

the white South. But it is mainly the result of the abounding intelligence and the better directed energies of the Negro, aided by those who believe in him. But who has guided and directed his uncertain, tottering steps up from darkest slavery into the beckoning future? The answer is ready upon the tongue of nearly every Negro in this nation—"the Yankee schoolma'am." By the

Yankee schoolma'am I mean all that shining host, men and women, who came down from the North to help in the education and uplift of the Negro. Where is there a colored man or woman in this country who has not felt her influence? She had vision and faith, and she came, first, when the colored people had great need of a friend and guide who had confidence in them. She came when those whose opportunity and duty it was to lead the ignorant, helpless colored people were sadly estranged, when it was difficult for them to conceive of Negro development, when their pride had been humbled, and changed conditions had turned affectionate sympathy to hateful distrust and prejudice. She brought to the black men and women of the South an inherited love of freedom, a consciousness of what education would do for them, and faith in their possibilities. Like the Negro she was profoundly religious, and she struck an answering chord in their natures. But with her, faith without works was dead. So she set about developing strength out of the Negro's weakness, order and beauty out of his disorder and confusion. The same patriotism that sent her brother into the war to save the Union and to free the slave, brought her to the front in the struggle for the Negro's real emancipation. Her fight was just as fine as his, and sometimes harder to wage.

Was there ever such service rendered in the world before as these new-found friends gave? They undertook everything to fit the ignorant, helpless, friendless Negroes for the new and larger life into which they were thrust with only the prep-

aration of slaves. They asked nothing for themselves, only that we become better men and women. They found it imperative that they take hold of every feature of our common life to lift it out of its neglected, undeveloped condition, or to reshape it in accordance with the requirements of nineteenth-century civilization. Homes had to be established—homes that suggested infinitely more than mere places for food and shelter. The very idea of the normal family had to be developed and cultivated. Sanctified love itself must be nurtured. The commoner virtues that existed among these simple folk had to be watered and tended, the others must be planted for the first time in soil hitherto untried. And though we had slaved for two hundred years and borne the burden of clearing a new continent when all others had failed at the terrible task, still we had to be taught to work—to slough off habits of shiftlessness, wastefulness, and inefficiency begotten of slavery, to take initiative, to put heart into our work, to learn to love labor, and to understand something of the virtues and rewards of honest toil, and especially to acquire the intelligence and skill employed in effective free labor.

One of the inestimable gifts of slavery to the Negro in America was the Christian religion. But it was difficult to harmonize slavery and the teachings of the Christ. So the church among the colored people was robbed of much of its opportunity. Accordingly a new, full significant gospel had to be brought to the Negro, and if he would share in its blessings, he must be taught to live in accordance with its precepts.

Hitherto; also, the Negro had been thought of mainly in terms of his service to others. His own development had not been considered at all. His training had been to labor only. The whole realm of mind was closed and barred against him. But now traditional education, the knowledge of books, the ability to interpret the printed page and to express one's self in conventional terms with a fair degree of accuracy, and even elegance, became a necessity for the Negro if he was to play an effective part in the new life into which he was ushered.

All this the missionary Yankee teachers came to give. The measure of their success is the Negro race in America today, by far the most advanced ten millions of Negroes in the world. This wonderful work with its remarkable success is based upon very simple principles, though, after all, it represents life responding to life, love answering to love. These Northern teachers though ignorant of the Negro brought the key to his heart—love—and every other door flew open at their approval.

The Negro is indebted to the Northern teachers for another service which it is easy to overlook—the sustained interest of the North in Negro education and development. Through the missionary teachers and their schools, better than by any other means, the North has been given just ideas of the Negro and his encouraging progress. Only with Northern aid could the beginnings in Negro education have been made when they were made. Through these teachers the stream of Northern aid has been kept flowing, until up to the present time

more than fifty millions of dollars have come out of the North for the aid of Negro education in the South. From these funds have sprung the great educational institutions for Negro youth all over the South.

These schools not only carry forward their ideas but they multiply their efforts many thousand times. They are the educational centers for a race of men; they set the ideals for literally millions of Negro youth. They train not only those who come within their walls and then go out to establish new centers of light and leadings, but these schools are themselves reaching out directly into their communities and teaching all the people better farming, better business methods, more effective ways of conducting churches and schools, better health, safer amusements and a wiser use of their ballots. Furthermore these schools have furnished a common ground upon which the North and the South can come together and get a better understanding of each other and clearer notions about the Negro.

Let us cherish the memory of that noble army, without trumpets or banners, which sought no conquest save that of ignorance, inefficiency, sin, and injustice, which came to share our sorrows, griefs, and shame, to bring light into our darkness, and to turn our weakness into the power and might that have brought us to this glorious day. Ours is a race, rich in heart and in loyalty. Let us not, in our little successes in the years to come, be forgetful of the great service rendered us by the Yankee schoolma'am and her friends. Let us teach our sons and daughters to revere the memory of

that noble band which fought in all meekness and without malice against principalities and powers, unreasoning prejudice, bitter hatred, and chilling scorn, that the black sons and daughters of this fair Southland

might enter into their rich inheritance. To them let us dedicate our all, and by their ashes swear to justify their confidence in us, and to win, however long the struggle, the favor of all reasonable men.

MISSIONARY SCHOOLS IN CITIES

THE question is sometimes asked, "Since public schools for Negro youth exist in the South, why should the missionary societies continue their schools?" The following letter which may stand for others of the same class will, in part, answer the question:

"In reply to your letter I would submit the following statement to show the existing conditions here. It is a mistaken idea that the cities of the South are providing adequately for their colored children. Lexington, which has a Negro population of about 16,000 **claims to have the best schools for them in the South**, yet the following facts show how far short they fall.

The last school census show that there are residing in Lexington 5,247 colored persons between the ages of six and twenty. Of these 1,797 are in school. There are, therefore, 3,450 between six and twenty who are not in any school. If we were to count none over fourteen years of age there would be some 1260 between six and fourteen years of age who are not in any school. The city has three buildings for colored children and a fourth is near completion. The two which are in the more thickly populated district have a total seating capacity of 865 and there are enrolled 1211 pupils. The new building will have a seating capacity of about 300 which with

the old buildings will accommodate no more children than those now enrolled so that no provision whatever will exist for the 1200 pupils between six and fourteen who are not in any school.

Our school is quite generally recognized as superior to the public schools in quality of its work. The teachers of the public schools come to us for private instruction to aid them in their own work. We are teaching the teachers.

The greatest difference between our missionary school and the public schools, lies in the fact that we give moral instruction a very large place in our work. The need for this kind of instruction is very great. When one considers that a good share of the children now in school live with parents or grandparents who were slaves, it is easy to understand why they sadly fail to inculcate many of the cardinal virtues, which need to be taught them now as much as ever and as much as arithmetic and geography. We do not find the colored teachers—in general—teaching the lessons pertaining to truthfulness, purity and responsibility, in short, conduct, so effectively as do our white teachers. If there are no other reasons for the existence for A. M. A. schools in the cities, this would be quite sufficient. Superstition has still a very strong hold upon the Negro and

Christian teaching of the highest type is greatly needed. It will take generations to eradicate this and the Negro is not yet able to do it.

The school in conjunction with the Congregational church is teaching a more dignified worship among the colored people to supplant the emotionalism for which the Negro has been noted. The daily chapel service has a religious influence that can hardly be over estimated. **Probably much greater than the**

church for it reaches a greater number in their formative years. The singing of a grand hymn, the reading or reciting of scripture, the prayers and the ethical lessons constitute a miniature church service within the school which becomes in the minds of the students their ideal of worship. Here again the school is doing much in teaching the pupil how best to approach the mercy seat."

SCHOOL LIFE AT LINCOLN ACADEMY, KINGS MT., N. C.

AS in any organized institution the heavier burdens are borne by the men, so in Lincoln Academy, to the boys fall the heavier tasks of the school committed to its care. The boys maintain the study period at night with zeal and earnestness. They take active part in the regular religious services and literary entertain-



CROWDER'S MOUNTAIN FROM LINCOLN ACADEMY.

and they go about their several assigned tasks cheerfully. This contributes toward the physical life and existence of the school which in turn gives intellectual, moral and religious life to the students who are

ments of the school. Sunday attendance at church is compulsory, and Y. M. C. A. is voluntary, but the average attendance at both is the same, showing the deep seated spirit beneath all.

There are recreations such as football, tennis and baseball, but everything follows the law that there is time for all things. Each day is proportionately divided into service to the intellect, service to God, to refreshment and sleep, and the process goes on day by day through all the school year.

As the work of the school is done largely by the students, to the girls fall their share in the laundry, kitchen and home; no small task for our large family. They are happy in their work and it goes merrily on with laugh and song. There is very little quarreling. In the laundry one began to argue. Another said, "Cam down now, girls, cam down", and another returned, "Listen to the Grandmother", and with a laugh the atmosphere cleared. It seems to be always so.

They know and love their songs; wild plantation melodies, gospel songs and a few popular airs are companions of their daily work. The duties of matron are much the same as those of the mother in a home. The demands are many and varied; from caring for cuts, bruises and "hurts" to spiritual counsel and comfort in the deep sorrows of life. There are the inevitable discouragements but the way is cheered and the burdens lightened by constant evidences of real progress.

All the students above the fifth grade, as members, and all students from time to time take part in entertainments under a Literary Society which boasts the name of "Excelsior". This society meets every two weeks, when not only the students but the people of the community also are invited to attend. On alternate

nights there is a school social for boarding students only. These with an occasional special party, make up the chief social entertainments of the school.

The program committee meets with the English teacher and plans the programs for each meeting. These usually consist of songs by the school, recitations, special musical numbers, one act play, and the reading of the newspaper, which gives all the campus news. The students are very enthusiastic and loyal to their society, and as the meetings continue we can but observe their usefulness in a marked improvement of the exercises.

The teachers, students and farmers of this and adjacent counties, look forward to their farmers' meeting with much enthusiasm. It is on this day that the "Colored Farmers Association" has its annual business and agricultural meeting here. The topics discussed in the meetings are: The home, the farm, the animals around the home, the schools and the churches. Both white and colored people take part in the program. It is through these meetings that we extend our agricultural usefulness to the people in this and other counties. The members of this organization are improving their possessions and are doing better year by year in every respect.

Prizes were awarded to the men who during the past year harvested the two largest crops of corn. The farmers' wives and daughters brought their finest fowls, canned fruits, pickles, cakes, quilts, and embroideries for exhibition. Prizes were also awarded the best productions along these lines. The Domes-

tie Science and Art departments of the school exhibited some of their work. It is by these means that we

seek to interest the people in becoming better farmers, better homemakers, and better citizens.

OBITUARIES

The Santa Barbara Mission has met with a severe loss in the death of a devoted teacher, Miss Belle E. Smith. Miss Smith for many years was teacher of English and Literature in Tabor College, Iowa. A woman of superior mental ability and ever an active Christian she gave all her strength and devotion to the Mis-

sion work for seven years. She was carried to the grave by her sorrowing Chinese pupils. In former years Miss Smith wrote often for our denominational papers and magazines. One of her poems—"If I should die to-night" has been printed hundreds of times, and translated into many languages.

We record the passing of another highly esteemed workers in the American Missionary Association schools for many years. Miss Sibyl M. Noble was appointed to Straight College in 1887; and in successive years divided between Straight College, Tougaloo, Chandler at

Lexington and Grand View Institute, proved her devotion to the work and to what it represents. Those who were associated with her in these various institutions will cherish the memory of one who had an indomitable spirit and whose friendliness won the regard and affection of her associates.

We are informed of the death of Miss Rose E. Kinney who will be remembered by many teachers and former pupils in Fisk University, Tillotson and Straight Colleges, in LeMoyne Institute and in

Allen Normal School in Georgia. Miss Kinney was a noble and unselfish woman, deeply interested in the work of the Association and devoted to the welfare of the young people of the school.



THE A. M. A. TREASURY

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We give below a summary of the donations for the twelve months to September 30th, including Specials, also a summary of the receipts for the twelve months to September 30th, compared with those of the previous year.

Summary of Donations Twelve Months to September 30th—Including Specials

	CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS	Y. P. S. C. E.	WOMEN'S SOCIETIES	OTHER SOCIETIES	TOTAL *	INDIVIDUALS	CONDITIONAL GIFTS	TOTAL
1914-15	\$ 104,254.42	\$ 9,437.96	\$ 1,658.96	\$30,564.76	\$ 510.30	\$ 146,426.40	\$58,913.05	\$10,800.02	\$ 216,139.47
1915-16	106,426.95	9,993.10	1,310.63	31,977.14	306.00	150,013.82	69,125.27	12,833.31	231,972.40
INCREASE	2,172.53	555.14		1,412.38		3,587.42	10,212.22	2,033.29	15,832.93
DECREASE			348.33		204.30				

Summary of Receipts Twelve Months to September 30th

	DONATIONS	LEGACIES	INCOME	TUITION	SLATER FUND	TOTAL
1914 15	\$ 216,139.47	\$ 78,969.57	\$ 32,915.88	\$ 66,143.01	\$ 7,350.00	\$ 401,517.93
1915-16	231,972.40	79,698.59	31,075.19	72,153.78	5,334.00	420,233.96
INCREASE	15,832.93	729.02		6,010.77		18,716.03
DECREASE			1,840.69		2,016.00	

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Only two months more to December 31! Our fiscal year closes then, being the same as the Calendar year. Has your church sent in its offering to aid the church and parsonage building? The needy churches are anxiously awaiting it. Please be sure to get it into our treasury before Christmas.



CHURCHES BOTH USEFUL AND BEAUTIFUL

William W. Leete, D. D.

Many churches are useful which are not beautiful. A man seeing one of these (and it was in New England) asked how much it cost and was told \$15,000. His simple comment was,—“Well, they have evidently made fifteen thousand dollars look like sixty.”

But custom and use lend charm to much in this world which is very ordinary. Chippendale furniture is not essential to a well regulated Christian household. Those nice things such as “mother used to make” have never needed to be served up on a Royal Worcester plate. The stony pillow on Judea’s hillside became to Jacob the House of God. Why? Because it was there he saw a vision.

There was some years ago an old wooden church in Connecticut. I preached in it when I was beginning my ministry. The sills had rotted out and the sides were spread; it had never been architecturally beautiful. But there were those who loved it and one day an old man led me down the side aisle of this church and, laying his hand reverently upon the very last of its uncomfortable pews, he said: “Right there fifty years ago I bowed my head and gave my heart to God.”

“What’s holy ground? ’tis what gives birth
To holy thoughts in souls of worth.”

There is much in history and experience to justify the man who says: “Beauty is not essential to a house of worship.”

At Wytheburn, in the Lake Region, at the base of Helvellyn, is the most insignificant church that I ever saw. It is the smallest church in all England. Wordsworth calls it “Wytheburn’s modest house of prayer.” And Hartley Coleridge, whose grave is beside that of Wordsworth and his wife at Grassmere, wrote of it,

"Humble it is and meek and very low
 "And speaks its purpose by a single bell
 "But God Himself and He alone can know
 "If spiry temples please Him half so well."

If the strong come to God's house to feel their powers called out to a higher consecration; if the old and weak are there to know the rest of God, and light at eventide; if the poor and solitary are there to find a friend and the tempted to know succor; if striving souls are there to be assured of a mercy that triumphs over sin; and the bereaved to know that over their beloved death hath no more power; how little do they stop to ask as they approach that church whether its lines are Romanesque or Gothic. Or, when they enter, ask what are the colors or the forms by which they are surrounded.



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SIOUX FALLS, S. D.

Try some of the best hymns! Is their meaning or helpfulness dependent upon architecture? Was Isaac Watts thinking of it when he wrote,

"How pleasant, how divinely fair
 "O Lord of Hosts Thy dwellings are.
 "With long desire my spirit faints
 "To meet the assemblies of Thy saints."

Did Benjamin Schmolek think of it when he wrote,

"Open thou thy gates of beauty
 "Zion let me enter there
 "Where my soul in joyful duty
 "Waits for Him who answers prayer.
 "Oh, how blessed is this place
 "Filled with solace, light and grace."

But having said this much, let us be fair to the other side of the case. If a church may be useful without being beautiful, can it not be more useful

if it is beautiful? If thousands of dollars are to be expended should they not be put into forms and materials which confirm rather than offend good taste? In fact, is there not a certain utility in beauty?

According to Plato all objects of thought must be classified under three heads; the good, the true and the beautiful. But neither sphere of thought excludes the other. There is a beauty in goodness and there is a goodness in truth. The little girl prayed: "O Lord, make all bad people good and all good people nice." And her prayer was logical, for many so-called good people are not nice people. We do not dare to say they are not Christians, but we apologize for them; we say they mean well; they have the root of the matter in them; but if they have the root of the matter in them, what about the tree? And what a pity that the fruit upon their boughs is not of the Pound Sweet variety- The practice of our religion should give charm to the life as well as strength.

And on this same line of thinking does it not seem strange and inappropriate if the buildings in which men meet to pray and to speak together of that which is most good and holy are not themselves attractive? An ugly house of worship is almost as much of a shock as a good person who isn't nice. The course of moral instruction which ushered in the day of our Lord was centered in a temple sheathed with gold. "Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth is Mount Zion." By the most natural pedagogic principle in the world, when children like the way you do a thing, they come at length to like the thing you do. Thus to the Jew, the temple, with its gilded decorations, brought some conviction that the law itself was good. "Out of Zion the perfection of beauty, God was shining." "Honor and majesty were before Him because beauty as well as strength was in His sanctuary."

Ought this principle of moral pedagogy ever to be abandoned? The Pilgrims and Puritans certainly showed little appreciation of it, and yet, it was not because they were ignorant of what good art was. East Anglia was the home of our religious ancestors; it is the region of the fens described so wonderfully by Charles Kingsley in his "Hereward the Wake". They stretched through seven shires; they included Cambridge, Huntingdon, Northampton and Lincoln, and there in earlier days, undrained, the land seemed sliding into the ocean. It was the action of King Charles with reference to these lands that first roused Cromwell, brought him to Parliament and gave to him the honored name of Lord of the Fens.

One of the streams draining the fens was the Cam. On it was Cambridge, the university of the Pilgrim and Puritan leaders. The colleges clustered there sent out Robert Browne, William Brewster, John Robinson, John Harvard and Thomas Hooker. There in Christ College they will show you today John Milton's room. There, too, our martyrs of 1593 took their diplomas; Greenwood, Barrow and Henry. But right there in East Anglia were some of the finest specimens of church architecture to be seen in Europe. There was Norwich Cathedral, begun in 1096 and adhering more closely to Norman art than any other cathedral in England. Under its shadow, Robert Browne, John Copping and Elias Thacker were hurried off to jail for preaching New Testament Congregationalism; and there, too, were Ely and Peterborough, which next to Norwich and Durham, are perhaps the purest examples of Norman art that England can produce. Twenty years ago I heard an organ recital in this cathedral of Ely. It was a moonlight night and the only light within the noble structure was that which stole through the clere-story windows and glanced from column to floor and made the marble doubly white. It was an hour when one could think of but two things; one was home and one was heaven. But no objects were more

familiar to our fathers than just these. It was within these walls and in no other that they first heard the voice of prayer and song.

The first famous pastor in Boston was John Cotton and the meeting house in which he served was very insignificant. But the church in the Boston of Old England on the river Witham, which he left to become a Puritan, was something of which all Lincolnshire was proud. St. Botolph is its name and its steeple, 272 feet high, is written as

"The loftiest tower of Britain's isle
In valley or on steep."

Like its model, the cathedral in Antwerp, it overlooks leagues of land and leagues of sea. Had John Cotton forgotten it when he taught his new flock on the banks of the Charles?

Some of us have driven out from Lincoln to Scrooby, to Austerfield, to Gainsborough, and the way is not very long. Over these fields and highways



CONGREGATIONAL PARSONAGE, SIOUX FALLS, S. D.

many and many a time passed William Brewster, John Bradford, John Robinson and the other elect. And because they did, upon the horizon of their lives there rose up forever those beautiful towers of old Lincoln cathedral. What Wordsworth said of that cathedral they must have in some measure felt:

"Open your gates, ye everlasting piles!
Types of the spiritual church which God hath reared,
Not loth we quit the newly hallowed sward
And humble altar, mid your sumptuous aisles
To kneel or thread your intricate defiles,
Or down the nave to pace in motion slow
Watching, with upward eye, the tall tower grow
And mount, at every step, with living wiles
Instinct—to rouse the heart and lead the will
By a bright ladder to the world above.
Open your gates, ye monuments of love
Divine! thou Lincoln on thy sovereign hill;
Thou stately York! and ye whose splendors cheer
Isis and Cam, to patient science dear!

Yes, our forbears knew what the beautiful was, but they deliberately

turned away from it in order to emphasize the true and the good. Fine art was associated with an ecclesiastical system, which obscured the teachings of the New Testament and permitted corruption in life. It was obliged to suffer because of the company it was keeping. But what the Pilgrims did in the 17th century is not what we have to do in the 20th. Good art is the ally and not the foe of religion. It speaks its gospel of love to God; it, too, can cast out devils.

Our churches should be so constructed and adorned as to lead the mind to worship. Even the least expensive buildings may be decorous. There are obstacles enough to worship without adding those which arise from offended tastes. While, as I said at the outset, many churches are useful which are not beautiful, the church that is beautiful can be the most useful. Beauty is itself a utility. It is what music is to sound; it is what joy is to thought; it is the mind's great harmonizer. God has made use of it in His creation, why should not man in his? But, alas, too often the best thing that we can say of our church buildings is that they escape the sin of idolatry. For they are not made "in the likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth."

Upon the whole subject of Church Architecture, our Church Building Secretary, Dr. Richards, has some very important statements in his last annual report. Let me read a few lines from this report:—

"We urge that a church building should be churchly, on the sound architectural principle that a building should in its structure bear witness to the object for which it is erected. A house of God should be easily recognized as a temple of worship; it should not look like a bank, or a warehouse, or a social club house. It should have a stately dignity and beauty of its own, befitting the place where men have audience with the King. Its proportions and lines should be carefully adapted to the purpose for which the building is intended. Its decorations should be chaste and refined, yet as artistic and attractive as possible. Its rooms for the varied service which the church is to render should be wisely arranged. It is better to have the assistance of an experienced architect when possible, yet even the simplest and least expensive house of worship may be excellent if these principles are observed and the best models are studied."

"We cannot control the churches in this matter, since plans are usually selected before application is made for our aid. Different sections have their preferred styles of building, and sometimes disapproval is resented. Many places are too remote for visits by our representatives till the work has progressed too far for changes to be made. We try to give, from time to time, suggestive illustrations of good churches. We hope to do still more to assist the churches in this important matter."

We hope that before long a booklet may be prepared, with pictures and diagrams and plans of houses of worship, parish houses and Sunday school rooms, all of which shall be in good architectural form. The dimensions, description of materials, and the cost at which such buildings could be erected, ranging from \$3,000 to \$50,000, and perhaps beyond, should be appended to each plan. A copy of this booklet might be placed in the hands of every Home Missionary Superintendent and of the state representative of the Church Building Society. These persons would be likely to know of any proposed building enterprise and could early bring this pamphlet to the attention of local committees. In many cases, some of these plans would be immediately adopted; in all cases they would be at least suggestive. In the newer portions of our country they would be invaluable. Few months go by when some one does not send to one of our Church Building

Society offices asking for plans for churches, parish houses, parsonages or Sunday school rooms. We once had such a publication, but it was not complete. It is now out of print. To produce a new one that is adequate would cost a good deal of money and the demand has not yet appeared strong enough to warrant the outlay. The preparation of such a pamphlet would require much time and pains; but we hope it may ere long be done.

George Herbert wrote some beautiful hymns.

"Day of the Lord, so calm, so bright
Fair bridal of the earth and sky;"

What is finer? But he was a high churchman; born the year John Penry was burned at the stake, and living through these years when the Pilgrims were being harried out of the land, he showed no love for the Non-conformists. The little church he served at Bemerton from 1630 to 1633 is scarcely 20 feet in width. It has no tower, and only a little box that might serve for a big bee hive contains the bell. Next to Wythburn, of which I spoke a while ago, it is the smallest church in England. Its claim to beauty is most in the ivy that covers it. But all this does not prevent Mr. Herbert from making large claims for the Anglican church. In his poem "The British Church" he has these things to say of us and of some others:

"I joy, dear mother, when I view
Thy perfect lineaments and hue
Both sweet and bright;

"Beautie in thee takes up her place
And dates her letters from thy face
When she doth write.

"A fine aspect in fit array
Neither too mean nor yet too gay
Shows who is best.

"Outlandish looks may not compare;
For all they either painted are
Or else undrest.

"She on the hills (Rome) which wantonly
Allureth all in hope to be
By her preferred,

"Hath kissed so long her painted shrines,
That even her face by kissing shines
For her reward.

"She in the valley (Puritan) is so shy
Of dressing that her hair doth lie
About her ears.

"While she avoids her neighbors pride
She wholly goes on the other side,
And nothing wears.

"But dearest mother, what those miss,
The mean thy praise and glory is
And long may be.

"Blessed be God, whose love it was
To double moat thee with his grace
And none but thee."

This description, if ever true, certainly does not apply to the churches of the Pilgrims today. In teachings and in character we are certainly not unkempt and not unclothed. Why should we be in any respect? The freedom of our faith and of our methods should guarantee that we do everything in the very best way. The church building is not the church, but it is a part of the garb in which the world sees the church, by which, in a measure, it will judge the church. Attention to it cannot be forgotten, for we are servants of Him Who calls the house of prayer "His home," and who will have even the place of His feet "made glorious."

THE CONGREGATIONAL EDUCATION SOCIETY

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NEW OUTLOOK AFTER ONE HUNDRED YEARS

By Secretary F. M. Sheldon

On December 4, 1916, the Congregational Education Society will complete one hundred years of service. During that time it has aided 10,073 ministerial candidates, disbursed over \$6,500,000 in maintaining and aiding elementary and industrial schools, academies, colleges, training schools, and in religious work among students in these schools and in State Universities.

At the beginning of its second century the religious education and publishing work, formerly under the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society are to come under one management with the Education Society.

The Program and the Organization

We, Congregationalists, have done royal service in behalf of the weak, backward, needy and unevangelized of the earth. Of that service we may well be proud. But the time has now come when the very continuance of that work in full vigor, to say nothing of other significant effort, is dependent upon our giving earnest attention to properly educating our own church people. We are not adequately training our people in the work of the kingdom and we are not producing and training our own leaders.

The program of the reorganized Religious Education Boards is to permeate our entire denominational life with an adequate and compelling

Religious Education ideal, and to develop a comprehensive, unified Religious Education program in home, church and school; a program intended to train all our church people as workers and to raise up and train a selected group as leaders; a program back of which the entire church will put her best effort in the consciousness that her larger service depends upon her own vigor and efficiency.

The approach to the problem in any and all these fields will be unified both in the matter of edited material and personal effort. Everywhere from childhood upward the nature and need of the lives to be educated will determine the material used and the method of procedure.

The actual organization for doing this work will be:

First, the Education and Publishing Societies, whose voting membership consists of delegates to the National Council and a small additional number of corporate members. A President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and a Board of twenty-five Directors have charge of the work of these Societies.

Second, a Department of Education, which surveys the entire field to ascertain actual conditions and plan what is necessary to meet the needs.

Third, a Sunday School Publication Department, which edits the courses for the school, for teacher

training, all helps and all literature and books having to do with the Religious Education problem in the Church School. This includes Missionary Education, Social Service and other material in so far as they wish to reach the Church School constituency.

Fourth, a Missionary Education Department, which provides material for and in every way promotes education in missions as a life attitude and supplies needed information regarding our work as carried on by all our Societies.

Fifth, a Social Service Department, which leads in training our people to express the spirit of Christ in all life-relations.

Sixth, a Student-Life Department which aids academies and colleges, does its utmost to assist in the religious education of our students, seeks to find suitable recruits for Christian leadership and gives aid to ministerial students.

Seventh, The Congregationalist and General Publications Department edits and publishes the paper, which will be of increasing service in the entire field of Religious Education and also edits all general books.

Eighth, the Business Department, which has charge of such business affairs as the manufacture of material at the printing plant and its distribution through our book stores and agencies in Boston and Chicago.

Each of these departments is in charge of a committee of the Board and an editor or executive secretary.

In addition to the men who work in these departments at and from headquarters, there will be certain field experts in Religious Education, who will represent all phases of the work.

Academies

We give great attention to the college period of education, but there is increasing evidence that some of our most serious, social, moral and religious problems in the educational

world center in the secondary schools, yet, throughout the West, when the fully equipped High School arrives, it is increasingly difficult for academies to maintain themselves. Comparatively few parents realize the significance of this period in the young lives, and as a denomination we do not realize what effective work these schools have done in giving us Christian leaders.

We are assisting Benzonias, in Michigan; Franklin, in Nebraska; Iberia and Kidder, in Missouri; New Rockford, in North Dakota; and Thrall and Ward, in South Dakota.

Colleges

There is scant sympathy today for the college that is small and weak, unless it has some distinctive missionary appeal. Some people think we have too many colleges. Others that the West should support its own schools. Thus, it is becoming increasingly difficult for colleges not already fairly established in a financial way to secure adequate endowment.

This year we are aiding Fairmount and Kingfisher, Northland and Rollins by direct grant, and Redfield, Doane, Olivet, Pacific University, Tabor and Fargo by applying on church apportionment offerings from churches within these States.

Schauffler and the Chicago Training School

Two schools, the Schauffler Missionary Training School in Cleveland, Ohio, and the Training School for Women in Chicago, equip women to do work as parish secretaries, pastors' assistants, directors of religious education and social service work. The Schauffler School gives special attention to fitting young women of various nationalities for work among our immigrant peoples. These schools are supplying the kind of workers of which our churches are in great need.

Foreign Institutes

The gospel is preached in more

than twenty-five languages in homeland Congregational churches. We face no more important duty or greater opportunity than that of assimilating and caring for the religious needs of those, who come from other lands. To do effective Christian work among those people, it is necessary to train selected members of each nationality for Christian service among their own people. This is done through the Finnish, Danish-Norwegian and Swedish Institutes in Chicago and the German Institute at Redfield, South Dakota. This being strictly educational work, the Education Society is giving this work the support formerly given by the Home Missionary Society.

Student Aid

Last year there were 424 students in 11 Theological Seminaries, Divinity and Bible Training Schools of our own and other denominations, studying for the Congregational ministry.

One hundred and sixteen of these graduated in May and June, and this number does not begin to supply the demand for preachers and missionaries in our denomination. We are compelled to draft pastors and missionaries for the foreign field from other denominations.

The Society this year has aided 197 students, 30 less than last year; and the amount distributed was \$8,947.00.

Forty-one and one-half per cent of our theological students received the Society's help.

Of those in our seminaries who receive aid, 93, or 53 per cent are graduates of colleges.

Owing to the lack of funds scholarships could not be paid in full.

The seminaries represented by this list of beneficiaries are Andover, Atlanta, Bangor, Chicago, Hartford, Oberlin, Pacific, Talladega, Yale School of Religion, Boston University School of Theology and the Gordon Bible Institute.

The colleges are Amherst, Bow-

doin, Carleton, Colgate, Dartmouth, Ellsworth, Oberlin, University of California and Wheaton in Illinois.

Forty-eight foreigners received aid distributed as follows: Germans, 18; Swedes, 11; Slavs, 6; Finns, 5; Japanese, 3; Chinese, 2; Armenians, 2; Norwegians, 1.

Congregational Students in State Universities

The growth of great State Universities in the middle and western part of our country has brought together large numbers of choice young people from our Congregational homes. The tendency of these universities is increasingly toward vocational training. Two important educational factors, personality and atmosphere, have scant emphasis in selecting the faculty or in determining the policies of these schools. Most of these institutions do little or nothing for the religious life of these young people. Thus, the cry was going up, "We are losing from the church our young people who go to State Universities." And notwithstanding we were in need of additional recruits for the ministry and missionary service, we have ignored, until recently, the increasing number of our young people attending these institutions.

The strategic opportunity and the great need made it imperative that the church should act. We responded by placing in each of the largest schools a University Pastor, whose business it is to be the friend, helper and religious guide to our students. In the nine schools where we have done this work, the smallest number of Congregational students is nearly 300, and the largest number 900. In all nine together there are 4,500 of these Congregational young people.

Workers have been maintained in the following schools: California State University, Illinois State University, Iowa State University, Iowa State Agricultural College, Kansas State University, Kansas State Ag-

ricultural College, Michigan State University, Washington State University and Wisconsin State University.

The local church, the State Conference and the Education Society unite in support of this work. At very small expense, we are able to reach an exceptionally large number of young people. The religious life which touches these University students must be vital. Religion, having no formal standing, is compelled to stand on its own merits. Thus, in so far as it is to meet the need of the situation, it must be able to make its appeal upon the ground of its own worth.

The results of this work are encouraging. In at least four of these centers there is an average attendance at the local church of 400 students each Sunday. In one there is an enrollment of 176 in the regular Sunday School, in another 140 are enrolled, while in all there are approximately 700. A goodly number have come into regular church membership, and we are receiving from these sources an increasing number of candidates for the ministry and missionary service.

Christian Work in Colleges

A careful study of the facts indicates that between 80 and 90 per cent of all our ordained ministers and missionaries who have the equivalent of college and seminary training come from our Christian colleges. (This indicates their significant relation to the problem of Christian leadership for the church and the world. But significant as their work has been, Congregationalists are not at present producing their own leaders.) We are sending into the ministry each year from Congregational sources about half as many men as we are losing from the ministry. Last year 43 per cent of the missionaries sent out by the American Board were drawn from other denominations. Part of the reason for this dearth of Christian

leaders is that our denomination has done nothing to recruit them.

The Education Society in studying this problem became convinced that the responsibility does not rest wholly with the colleges, but that the attitude and atmosphere in our homes, the attitude of our ministers and the training in our churches are equally important factors in determining the choice of life work on the part of the young people.

Steps are being taken to get the co-operation of the home and the church in a strong recruiting program, and a beginning of co-operation with the Colleges has also been made.

In Colorado and Pomona Colleges the Society this year has aided in paying the salary of a Bible instructor and religious worker. Our particular point of emphasis is that this man shall do religious work among the students. This brings the Education Society into close relationship with the colleges and places in the college a man who is especially adapted to co-operate with the efforts we are making to secure recruits.

Recruiting Campaign

From the last of January to the third of March the following thirteen colleges were visited for the purpose of setting forth the claims of twin service: Olivet, Knox, Beloit, Ripon, Fargo, Carleton, Yankton, Doane, Colorado, Fairmount, Kingfisher, Washburn and Drury.

President Ozora S. Davis, Rev. Ernest Bournier Allen, Secretary D. Brewer Eddy, Rev. A. B. DeHaan of China and Secretary F. M. Sheldon participated in the work, though not all were present at any one institution.

In the 13 schools visited, 75 meetings, open to all students, were held. Thirty-nine group conferences on the ministry, missionary service, Christian and social service work of various kinds were conducted, and there were something over 270 personal interviews. Though there are doubt-

less others, we found at least 50 men definitely decided for the ministry and 39 men and women who were student volunteers.

The Society has secured the names of over ten thousand Congregational students in forty colleges and state universities. These students will be kept in touch with the Tercentenary program and will have the claims of the ministry and missionary service forcibly brought to their attention.

Effort is being made to secure the hearty co-operation of all our pastors in this work and through them it is hoped to reach parents with information regarding the need for leaders and their responsibility in this connection. Printed material for this purpose is being prepared. It may be wise to plan for a special recruiting Sunday in the churches.

We sorely need a Student-Life Secretary, who will devote all his time to this most important work among students, but the churches must give us increased financial assistance before he can be employed.

Social Service

Since the Society is henceforth to serve all the other Societies and the entire denomination in its religious education activities, the National Council voted that the Social Service Department, with its significant program, should be a part of this organization.

The following is an outlined program of the Social Service Department:

1. To represent, guide and co-operate with the churches in the work of improving the social order.

2. To encourage friendly relations between employers and employees.

3. To help the churches to reach that great mass of the people who have become alienated from it and are skeptical of the value of its message.

4. To establish a standard of social work within the churches.

5. To formulate and make effective a program of social effort adapt-

ed to the needs and requirements of each church and community.

6. To foster the organization of the men of the churches for greater efficiency in Christian effort.

7. To provide executive leadership for the Commission on Social Service of the National Council.

8. To promote the expression of the Christian Spirit in all of life's relations.

This program is to be realized through education activities within the church; through propaganda; by means of literature, secretarial visitation and social evangelistic campaigns; through addresses, lectures, sermons and a speakers' bureau.

The Department offers expert services in investigation work, in parish and community surveys, in advising with churches, clubs, and communities as to social programs, and in furnishing workers for specific and special tasks.

Your Religious Education Program

The National Council has instructed this Society to serve the churches in their entire program of religious education: in home, church and school.

Each department, the editors, secretaries, or business managers in charge and the six district educational specialists desire to serve you in every possible manner. Correspondence with any department or any of these workers will receive careful attention.

Orders for books, Sunday School periodicals or supplies, or for Sunday School papers from the district south of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi Rivers should be sent to The Pilgrim Press, Boston; orders from other parts of the United States should be sent to Chicago.

The headquarters are in The Congregational House, 14 Beacon St., Boston, where all communications for the departments or heads of departments should be sent. The addresses of the district educational workers will be found in the last if officers.

THE CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY

MISSIONARY AND EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

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NEWS FROM THE FRONT

With the rapidly changing conditions frontiers are found in all parts of our country. But the new states of the West, and especially the Rocky Mountain States, have now, and will have for years to come, a great and fascinating frontier. A recent visit to Wyoming and Montana has given new evidence of this.

WYOMING

This new state is ten times as large as Massachusetts and has wonderful resources in agriculture, minerals and oil and a most agreeable climate. We were met by the veteran superintendent, Rev. W. B. D. Gray, and friends, for the State Conference at Lander, in the beautiful church building less than two years old, and served with supper in an attractive Sunday-school room. The repast included delicious strawberries just plucked from the vines although it was the sixth of October.

Fifteen years ago the state had less than a hundred thousand people, but now with a growing population has twenty-five vigorous Congregational churches and fifty-three mission Sunday schools, many of them ready for church development. President Eaton of Billings Polytechnic Institute, after making a careful study states that there are hundreds of little communities in this and neighboring Rocky Mountain States which have absolutely no religious privileges of any kind. Wyoming furnishes a most inviting field for enlarged service by the Sunday-School Society. The good work done by Superintendent Gray and his helpers calls for larger things.

MONTANA

A similar message can be given from Montana, except that it is seventeen times as large as Massachusetts. It is wonderfully rich in all which goes to make a great state, and is rapidly growing in population. It now has about one hundred hopeful young Congregational churches, more than three-fourths of which have been organized during the superintendency of Dr. Powell. These have very largely grown from Sunday-school planting; and there are more than fifty mission schools to be developed, and unbounded opportunities and earnest calls in scores of other places. Lack of space forbids telling of the growth in Colorado, North Dakota, and other new states visited.

FINANCES

The receipts for September were \$1,350.41 in advance of the corresponding month of last year. Urgent calls which should not be turned aside come from many fields. A message from the front means encouragement, opportunity, urgency.

THE "BABY" STATE CAPITAL

By Rev. S. E. Lynd, Supt.,
Ariz. and N. M.

After a strenuous but successful summer's work in New Mexico, I am now at Phoenix, Arizona, and find conditions particularly favorable and the time opportune for the organization of a Congregational Sunday school. Our constituency will be between 2,000 and 3,000 people whose only facilities for church attendance are down town a mile distant. Our imperative need is a building in which we may meet. Much of the Congregational work in Arizona will depend upon the organization of our work in the capital of the state, a growing city of over 30,000 people. Will it not be possible, therefore, for the Sunday-School Society and the other Congregational Societies interested in the extension of our work in the great Southwest to see that we have adequate quarters for the beginning of a church of our faith in this city? It would practically guarantee an early organization of a strong Sunday school, if we were only assured of a building in which to hold our meetings. This is a critical time for Congregationalism in Arizona, and Phoenix is the most strategic point in the whole Southwest.

PROGRESS ON PUGET SOUND

In June 1915, Rev. J. M. Dick, the Asa Bullard Sunday-School Missionary, organized an interesting Sunday School at Suquamish on Puget Sound, about twelve miles north of Seattle, of which it has an unobstructed view. The name is taken from an Indian Reservation of which Suquamish townsite was once a part. Streets and avenues were cut through the dense timber, and tents, shanties, and cottages were quickly erected. The forest seemed full of men, women, and children; some there for the summer only, and others to remain through

the year. The Sunday school first met in a very small, vacant store; but was obliged to leave after three meetings lest it might interfere with the sale or renting of the room. It then met under the trees where a



THE SUQUAMISH SUNDAY SCHOOL
HOMELESS

few seats were improvised, and some sat on the ground. The little school faced the question of a place of meeting.

Out of this small beginning steps were taken to form a church, and Dr. Scudder of the Home Missionary Society, assisted by the Sunday-School workers, effected a temporary organization. The little company went forward in the erection of a chapel which was dedicated about a year after the Sunday school was gathered.



A YEAR LATER—IN THE NEW CHAPEL

It means much to lay Christian foundations and bring together people of all nationalities, even those who are not much interested, and develop a united work and Christian fellowship.

THE CONGREGATIONAL BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Office: 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.

Henry A. Stimson, D.D., President; William A. Rice, D.D., Secretary; B. H. Fancher, Treasurer.

REV. LOUIS F. BERRY

Rev. Louis F. Berry, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Stamford, Connecticut, a member and the Recording Secretary of The Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief and of its Finance Committee, was suddenly stricken with heart failure on Thursday, October 5th, and died on a train of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad as it was entering the Grand Central Station in New York. At the time Mr. Berry was on his way to an important meeting of the Finance Committee. So far as we know he had not had premonitory warnings of heart difficulty. Apparently he was in the best of health. He was busy as usual with the work

of the Kingdom to which he had consecrated his life. For many years he had been on the Board of Directors for Ministerial Relief and had served most efficiently as he had also in some of the other of our National Missionary Organizations. Always genial, tactful and wise, faithful in his attendance and ready to bear his full share of responsibility, he had endeared himself to his associates and held the confidence and affection of the Secretaries who labored under him. It is a great loss, the going of this skilled workman at the age of 47 from the activity of his Church and of the Boards of the denomination.

Our warmest sympathy goes out to his bereaved family.



GROWING INTEREST IN THE ANNUITY FUND

The Secretary has just returned from a visit to Western State Conferences and District Associations, where he has spoken in the interests of Ministerial Relief and Annuities. He reports that everywhere there was manifested the keenest interest in both these phases of provision for the disability or old age of our Congregational Ministers or the widows of Ministers. The feeling was general that the recent great gifts to the Board of Relief opened the way for the special prosecution of The Annuity Fund.

The Western Secretary, Dr. F. L. Hayes, reports finding the same attitude in those states where he has

spoken this Fall, and the Eastern Representative of the Board in Boston, Rev. F. W. Hodgdon finds like conditions. Increasingly, the pastors and churches are responding to the Annuity appeal. More of the ministers are seeking membership in the Fund and without exception the Conferences and Associations where the subject has been presented have responded, some with resolutions of approval and in the appointment of Committees to co-operate with the representatives of the Board in the campaign now being carried forward for the endowment of \$2,000,000 for the Annuity Fund as approved by the last two National Councils.

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY FEDERATION

President, Mrs. Hastings H. Hart, 7 Golden Avenue, White Plains, N. Y.; Vice-President-at-large, Mrs. A. H. Standish, 449 North Grove Avenue, Oak Park, Ill.; Vice-President of the East, Mrs. Marion Burton, Northampton, Mass.; Vice-President of the Interior, Mrs. W. W. Newell, 244 Wesley Avenue, Oak Park, Ill.; Vice-President of the South, Mrs. W. E. Mansfield, 130 Peoples Street, Atlanta, Ga.; Vice-President of the West, Mrs. George Robertson, 152 Terrace Avenue, Redlands, Cal.; Recording Secretary, Miss Mary Brooks, 141 Essex Avenue, Gloucester, Mass.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. G. Frost, Park Street, Montclair, N. J.; Treasurer, Mrs. H. A. Flint, 604 Willis Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. Rockwell H. Potter, 412 Washington Street, Hartford, Conn.; Editorial Secretary, Mrs. Edward H. Scott, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

HIS UNSPEAKABLE GIFT

We waked the other morning to find that it was autumn. We knew it by the crisp tang in the air that came to us through the open window, and when we looked out it was upon a valley lying under a film of frost. Drinking in the sweet morning air, and the loveliness of the jeweled valley lying within the enfolding hills, all touched by the tinted light of the waking sun, our hearts answered to God's "Good-morning." "Father we thank thee for the beauty of thy world."

Then thought ran quickly on;—Frost, — Thanksgiving, Christmas! We looked at each other a bit startled. "Christmas!" we said, "So soon, and we're not getting ready for it!"

For we have the old-fashioned Christmas, with its sweet un-sanity; the foolish mystery, the delightful panic of haste toward the last, and the crowning joy of giving, all in an effort to express an overflowing love.

For "loving is giving." Love must give, and cannot be restrained. In our little loving, I wonder, are we not feeling after and growing toward the "Love Divine, all Love excelling" which pours itself out in lavish giving?

"For God so loved the world that He gave"—

One star-crowned, joy-filled night, when Heaven sang, He gave for all his groping, yearning children, a lit-

tle child to lead them, even His Beloved Son, and "with Him freely gives us all things."

For He is the revealer of our Father to us, and the message of His Love and Truth. "I am come" He tells us, that ye might have Life, and that ye might have it more abundantly."

Oh God, how marvelous is thy love!

What shall we render unto the Lord for His unspeakable Gift? I will take of the cup of Salvation. I must perfect the gift of God by accepting it. A gift may not be forced. It may be offered, but it is given only when it is received, is it not?

Behold the divine miracle! We receive Christ and with Him we may have "all things:" joy, peace, truth, wisdom, the power to "will and to do of God's good pleasure," full and abundant Life.

And if we receive Life from God we must give it forth. For life is like breath. If I would inhale again I must exhale. Freely as we have received we must freely give, and freely as we give we shall again receive.

Oh, daughters of God! Oh, church of Christ! that we should ever say, "We cannot do this for we lack strength," or that for we lack money." Does God lack?

"All day long we toil in Thy

field, and Thou dost not give even the little to make life glad and labor fruitful." So we complain.

Oh, slow of heart to believe! Is it not to us that the Father says, "Son, thou art ever with Me, and all that is mine is thine." "The silver and the gold are his" and "the cattle on a thousand hills." "Your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things."

Surely our Father commands us, "take abundantly of that which is mine and thine, bless every little one, feed every hungry soul, find thy straying brother, and those who never knew me, and through this beloved land and all the world, tell every one from the least unto the greatest of my love and mine "Un-speakable Gift."

E. N. E. LEWIS.



TOPIC FOR DECEMBER 1916

His Unspeakable Gift.

"What Hast Thou Given for Me."

PROGRAM

(Arranged by Miss Lizzie D. White.)

Hymn, "O gift of gifts," First 3 verses.
Scripture, II Cor. 9:6-15, Jh. 3:16.

God gives what is dear to him,
that those perishing may have
eternal life.

Hymn, "Rescue the perishing."

Prayer.

Study of God's gift, Jesus Christ,

1. He considers needs of others, Luke 5:32, Jh. 10:10 l. c.
2. Gives up his will to God's. Jh. 5:30 l. c.
3. Depends on divine power. Jh. 8:28 & 29.
4. Puts spiritual first. Jh. 6:63 Jh. 4:34.
5. Steadfastly keeps at his task. Jh. 9:4, Luke 9:51.
6. Is persistent in prayer. Matt. 26:42 & 44.
7. Counts nothing too dear to give up. Jh. 10:11, Jh. 6:51.

Hymn, "I gave my life for thee."

Paper, "What the World Needs Most."

"It is more men and women who will live as sons of God, who will resolutely put behind them the ambitions, temptations and selfishness of the world; will choose to be kind and helpful as more important than to be prosperous and comfortable; be willing to lose much of earthly good rather than lose touch with God and with man's true life.

Shall we not in this day of the world's need, harken to him who calls us, leave behind lesser things and follow the Firstborn into a whole-hearted life of sonship?"

(See Sermon on this theme, in Boston Daily Transcript of Aug. 5, 1916.)

Hymn, "My dear Redeemer and my Lord."

Timely Quotations to think about as we enter a new year of work.

"Love is most divine when it loves according to needs and not according to merit."

"Discern the times. Get out of your selfish absorptions."

"The special need of America to-day is the reinvigoration of our moral spirit and of our religious faith."

"The church should be as never before hungry for the touch that will push it out into service for the welfare of the souls of its brothers."

"Desolate spots where man's need is great. Thousands long for more of God."

"Our besetting sin is religious slackness."

"Abroad is a tide of sacrificial idealism. Here is work for the real patriot, calling for no less of heroism. Great issues are at stake."

"When you have lost the drive of your religious purpose, consider those men of faith who paid the price."

"As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you," Jh. 20:21 l. c.

Sentence Prayers.

Hymn, "Our country's voice is pleading."

SUPPLEMENTARY READING

"The House of the Dawn," a romance; McClurg & Co., Chicago.

For literary charm, for atmosphere, and as a vivid picture of Spanish and Mexican life in Mexico and New Mexico in the seventeenth century this book is of timely interest.

Worth re-reading is the old favorite "Ramona," by Helen Hunt Jackson; also "The Fair God," by Lew Wallace.

For more serious students Prescott's "Conquest of Mexico" is commended in addition to the excellent bibliography appended to the year's textbook, "Old Spain in New America."

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF RECEIPTS

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Receipts for September, 1916

The Daniel Hand Educational Fund for Colored People

Income for September from Investments.....	\$ 7,460.40
Previously acknowledged	60,447.13
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Current Receipts

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MAINE—\$1,840.74.

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Claysville: Help in Need Circle K. D's., 17. **Kingston:** T. C. E., 1. **Merion:** Friends, 5. **Philadelphia:** E. F. F., 5. **Warren:** C. J. C., 20. **Wilkes-Barre:** W. G. T., 2.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$2,242.38.

(Donations, \$242.38; Legacies, \$2,000.)

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Through Woman's Home Missionary Union of the New Jersey Conference—Mrs. Willard E. Buell, Treasurer. **Washington:** First, 31.20; Ingram Memorial, 45.80; Mt. Pleasant, 36.40. Total, 163.40.

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(Legacy for Fisk University.)

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INTERIOR DISTRICT.

OHIO—\$3,662.28.

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S., 2.62. **Columbus:** First, S. S., 2.62. **Conneaut:** W. H. M. S., 3.78; S. S., 10. **Eagleville:** L. A. S., 22c. **East Cleveland:** East, W. A., 3.67. **Elyria:** First, W. A., 5.25. **Fairport:** Ch., 52c. **Fredericksburg:** W. S., 2.31; C. E. Soc., 1.05. **Hudson:** W. M. S., 11.70. **Ironton:** W. M. S., 73c. **Jefferson:** C. E. Soc., 1.26. **Lorain:** First, S. S., 5.25; First, W. A., 6.30; D. of W. A., 1.05; Second, L. A., 2.10. **Lyme:** C. E. Soc., 1.05. **Mansfield:** First, W. M. S., 50. **Marietta:** Harmar, H. M. S., 2.50. **Marysville:** W. M. S., 3.88; C. E. Soc., 84c; S. S., 84c. **Mt. Vernon:** M. S., 5.25. **New London:** W. A., 52c. **North Olmstead:** L. A., 1.89. **Oberlin:** First, W. M. S., 20; 2nd, W. S., 26.25. **Painesville:** First, W. A., for repairs at Straight University, 15. **Ravenna:** W. M. S., 1.68. **Richmond:** W. M. U., 4.50, 3 of which for Pleasant hill. **Rockport:** West Park, L. A. S., 63c; S. S., 2.10. **Ruggles:** L. A., 2.04. **Sandusky:** W. L., for Kindergarten, Demorest, Ga., 1. **Strongsville:** L. A. S., 2.62. **Sullivan:** M. S., 1.89. **Tallmadge:** W. H. M. S., 5.25. **Toledo:** Second, J. M. C., 1.05; Washington Street, S. S., for Alaska Mission, 2.50. **Twinsburg:** W. M. S., 3.51. **Unionville:** W. M. S., 3.41. **Wakeman:** W. S., 1.31. **Waukeon:** L. A., 7.56. **Wayland:** W. S., 1.05; S. S., 1.05. **Wayne:** W. S., 2.10. **Wellington:** W. A., 3.15. **West Williamsfield:** M. S., 2.10. **Windham:** H. H. S., 1.31. **Youngstown:** Elm St., H. & F. M. S., 3.15; Plymouth L. M. S., 4.20; Y. L., 2.10; S. S., 4.20. Total \$433.63.

Legacy.

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ILLINOIS—\$14,917.34.

(Donations 4,617.34, Legacies 10,300.)

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Legacies.

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IOWA—\$860.23.

Berwick: Ch., 4.20. Burlington: Ch., 46.72. Cedar Falls: Mrs. V. A. B., for Talladega College, 5. Cedar Rapids: First Ch., 7.50; G. A. W., for Talladega College, 5. Des Moines: Greenwood Ch., 4.75. Dubuque: First Ch., 15.60. Elkader: Ch., 1.78. Fort Dodge: Ch., 12.16. Harlan: M. S., for Talladega College, 3. Kingsley: Ch., 25. Maquoketa: Ch., 9.95. Mason City: Ch., 11. Monticello: S. S., 5. Montour: G. W. T., for Talladega College, 100. Newburg: Ch., 2.50. Perry: Ch., 4.61. Postville: H. R., for Foster Hall, Talladega College, 50. Red Oak: E. M. C., for Talladega College, 25. Rockford: Ch., 3. Sioux City: Mayflower Ch., 2.34. Waterloo: Miss L. L., for Talladega College, 400.

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okee: 92c. Cresco: 1.14. Davenport: Edwards, 2.78. Dubuque: First, 5.20. Eldora: S. S., for Pleasant Hill, 2.20. Fayette: 1.66. Gilbert Station: 16. Glenwood: S. S., for Pleasant Hill, 5. Grinnell: 4.20. Harlan: 2.50. McGregor: 2.54. New Hampton: 1. Red Oak: 3. Sioux Rapids: 2.17. Webster City: 4.38. Total 64.12.

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WISCONSIN—\$768.93.

(Donations \$373.95, Legacy \$394.98.)

Columbus: Olivet Ch., 42. Fond du Lac: Plymouth Ch., 30. La Crosse: First Ch., 18; Mrs. L. C. C., 25. Orange: Ch., 1. Milwaukee: Hanover St. Ch., additional by J. B. D., 2; Mrs. J. D. M., 2. Pulcifer: Ch., 1.80. Washburn: First Ch., 6. Waukesha: Ch., 35. Waupun: Ch., 10. Williams Bay: Ch., 7.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Wisconsin—Miss Mary L. McCutchan, Treasurer. Bristol and Paris: W. M. S., 5. Brodhead: W. M. S., 1. Clinton: 1.40. Edgerton: 2.75. Elroy: 2. Racine: Plymouth, 2. Sparta: 5.50. Walworth: 25c. Waukesha: 2.75. Total \$22.65.

Legacy.

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Fairmont: Ch., 95c. Grand Meadow: Ch., 25c. Marietta: Ch., 50c. Marshall: Ch., 1.69. Minneapolis: Pilgrim Ch., 2.15; Plymouth Ch., 88.06; St. Louis Park Ch., 1.07; F. W. L., 15; C. N., for Talladega College, 10. New York Mills: Ch., 60c. Northfield: "Minnesota Friends," 40. Pelican Rapids: Ch., 50c.

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Chase: Ch., 7. **Kansas City**: Central Ch., 10. **Leavenworth**: First Ch., 15. **Sterling**: Ch., 10.

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(Donations for Fisk University.)

Los Angeles: Mrs. F. E. B., 5; Friend, 1.

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Upland: C. E. H., 100.

OREGON—\$127.29.

Corvallis: Ch., 3.30. **Forest Grove**: Ch., 4.99. **Portland**: First Ch., 8; Cedar Mills Ch., 11; Highland Ch., 28.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of

Oregon—Mrs. Lillian Murdock, Treasurer. **Heaverton:** S. S., 50c. **Eugene:** 20. **Forest Grove:** 20. **Portland:** First C. E., 5; Highland, W. S., 4; C. E., 7.50; Zion, German C. E. Soc., 5; Pilgrim, C. E. Soc., 5. Total 67.

(Donations for Piedmont College.)

Portland: Mrs. E. M. L. R., 5.

WASHINGTON—\$216.37.

Arcadia: Ch., 50c. **Anacortes:** Ch., 1.46. **Bellingham:** Ch., 1.77. **Chevelah:** Ch., 1.86. **Coupeville:** Ch., 6.50. **Elk:** Ch., 50c. **Eureka:** Ch., 43c. **Forks:** Ch., 95c. **Kennewick:** Ch., 1.05. **Odessa:** German Pilgrim Ch., 10. **Orchard Prairie:** Ch., 54c. **Pataha City:** Ch., 2.10. **Quincy:** German Ch., 10. **Seattle:** First, 90c; Fauntleroy, 1.80; Green Lake, 4; Brighton Ch., 1.68; Queen Anne, Ch., 35. **Tacoma:** First Ch., 13. **Trent:** Ch., 82c. **Walla Walla:** First Ch., 30.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Washington—Mrs. J. H. Matthews, Treasurer. **Bellevue:** 90c. **Colfax:** 3. **Colville:** 1. **Dayton:** 1.50. **Kennewick:** 1.50. **North Yakima:** 1. **Odessa:** 64c. **Olympia:** 60c. **Seattle:** Fairmount: 1; Fauntleroy, 2.57; University, 1.50; Keystone, 60c; Plymouth, 15.60; Queen Anne, S. S., 6.50. **West Seattle:** for scholarships, 5. **Spokane:** Westminster, 4. **Tacoma:** First, 21; Plymouth, 5; Park, (for scholarship at Tougaloo) 5. **Washougal:** for Dakota Indian work, 60c. Total 78.51.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Anacortes: Rev. H. J. T., 7. **Spokane:** W. M., 2; S. L. R., 2; S. T., 2.

IDAHO—\$6.50.

Fairview: Ch., 1. **Hope:** Ch., 3.50. **Weiser:** 2.

ARIZONA—\$1.00.

Prescott: Ch., 1.

THE SOUTH, &c.

VIRGINIA—\$1.00.

Townsend: Miss J. A. S., for S. A. Gloucester School, Cappaheosic, Va., 1.

WEST VIRGINIA—\$8.43.

Through Woman's Home Missionary Union of Ohio—Mrs. F. E. Walters, Treasurer. **Huntington:** W. S., 6.93.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Huntington: J. W. S., 1.50.

KENTUCKY—\$16.05.

Through Woman's Home Missionary Union of Ohio—Mrs. F. E. Walters, Treasurer. **Newport:** L. A., 1.05.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Covington: Mrs. W. McD. B., 5.

(Donations for Piedmont College.)

Georgetown: Prof. B. C. H., 10.

NORTH CAROLINA—\$162.77.

Raleigh: Donation of Missionary Rally and Bible Conference of N. C. Churches, 156.77.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Beaufort: Rev. B. F. O., 4. **Charlotte:** A. W. C., 2.

SOUTH CAROLINA—10.00.

Columbia: Rev. E. N. A., 10.

TENNESSEE—\$70.38.

Knoxville: Ch., 3.13. **Memphis:** Ch., 61c. **Nashville:** Ch., 64c.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Nashville: C. R. and H. H. H., 10; Nashville Banner, 25; Pres. F. A. McK., 30; Dr. S. L. R., 1.

GEORGIA—\$250.00.

Savannah: First Ch., 5.

(Donations for Piedmont College.)

Atlanta: D. W., 50; J. K. O., 10; F. J. B., 5; Miss L. W. R., 100. **Brasilton:** A. T. L., 5. **Hawkinsville:** Mrs. S. F. P., 25. **Putney:** Mrs. M. E. P., 50.

ALABAMA—\$47.15.

Anniston: First Ch., 5. **Shelby:** Ch., 1.15. **Talladega:** R. H., for Talladega College, 5; H. M. K., for Talladega College, 1.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Tuskegee: E. C., 10.

(Donations for Piedmont College.)

Kushla: Miss L. E. S., 25.

MISSISSIPPI—\$5.00.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Ebenezer: A. J. H., 5.

LOUISIANA—\$2.00.

New Orleans: Beecher Ch., 2.

TEXAS—\$41.89.

Dallas: Central Ch., 9.06. **Houston:** M. J. T. and Family, for Tillotson College, 5. **Paris:** Ch., 1.83. **Runge:** Ch., 1.

FLORIDA—\$277.00.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Pasadena: G. R. L., 25.

(Donations for Piedmont College.)

Jacksonville: Mrs. W. W. C., 250. **Tarpon Springs:** Mrs. W. H. B., 2.

(Donations for Piedmont College.)

Dallas: E. M. P., 25.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—\$5.00.

(Donations for Fisk University.)

Port Kells: F. R. G., 5.

INCOME—\$31,075.19.

Andrews Theological Hall, Talladega, Ala., 24.30; Atterbury Endowment Fund, 240.72; Avery Fund, 483.62; Atlanta Theological Seminary Fund, 450; A friend, 4.81; Charles M. Baxter Scholarship, 48.15; Eunice Hatch Baxter Scholarship, 48.15; Barnes Memorial Scholarship, 1; Catherine A. Blakeman Endowment, 91.48; Wm. Belden Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 60; M. R. Bishop Endowment, 2.40; Mrs. S. N. Brewer Endowment, 49.54; The Julia E. Brick Endowment Fund for the Joseph K. Brick School, Bricks, N. C., 8,753.58; The E. A. Brown Scholarship Fund, 34.14; The Brown Fund for Colored People, 48.15; Mrs. Merriam T. Brown Fund, 24.07; Howard Carter Endowment Fund, 24.07; Dr. Carroll Cutler Theological Endowment Fund for Talladega College, 15; Susan Rhoda Cutler Endowment Fund, 15; De Forest Endowment Fund for Talladega College, 962.87; C. F. Dike Fund for Straight University, 240.72; William E. Dodge Theological Fund for Talladega College, 240.72; Eldridge Endowment Fund, 481.44; Erwin and Other Funds for Talladega College, 5,000; The Ewell Fund for Howard University, 48.15; The Fitts and Warner Endowment Fund for Wilmington, N. C., 50; Fessenden Fund, for Fessenden, Fla., 360; Rev. B. Foltz Endowment Fund, 48.15; Rev. Robert Ford Endowment Fund, 9.62; Goodnow Hospital Endowment Fund for Talladega College, 337.02; Graves Theological Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 240.72; Elsie G. Green Endowment Fund for Nat, Ala., 45.74; Rachel R. Hamilton Endowment, 48.15; Irenus Hamilton Endowment, 72.21; Elizabeth L. Hall Endowment, 48.15; Hammond Fund for Straight University, 240.72; E. A. Hand Endowment, 24.07; The Clara Hillyer Endowment, 1,240.50; Howard University Endowment, 1,925.74; Henry W. Hubbard Fund, 2,595.63; H. W. Lincoln

Theological Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 48.15; The P. N. Livermore Scholarship Fund for Pleasant Hill, Tenn., 82.48; Luke Memorial Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 20.89; A. Miner Endowment Fund, 24.07; Samuel Morrill Endowment Fund, 24.07; George L. Newton Endowment Fund, 240.72; Sarah J. Nason Endowment Fund, 24.07; Mary E. Page Endowment Fund, 9.62; Piedmont College Endowment Fund, for Piedmont College, 810; George Z. Mechling Endowment Fund, 2.62; S. W. Pierce Endowment Fund, through the W. H. M. U. of Iowa, 12.03; C. B. Rice Memorial Fund for Talladega College, 21.17; J. S. Ricker Endowment Fund, 240.72; J. S. Ricker Endowment Fund through the W. H. M. U. of Maine, net, 202.65; William H. Richardson Endowment Fund, 612.10; The John Roy Scholarship Fund, 48.15; Seymour Straight Endowment Fund for Straight University, 196.13; Straight University Scholarship Fund, 141.43; S. M. Strong Endowment Fund for Saluda, N. C., 240.72; Belinda Sanford Endowment Fund, 48.15; The Stone Theological Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 48.15; The Stephen Stickney Mountain Educational Fund, 1,316.48; Horace G. Strong Endowment Fund, 69.83; Student Aid Fund for Talladega College, 99c; Mary W. Thompson Endowment Fund, 24.07; E. G. Upson Scholarship Fund for Tougaloo University, 96.29; Maria W. Warriner Endowment Fund, 48.15; Seth Wadhams Fund for Talladega College, 48.15; Samuel White Endowment Fund, 144.43; Comfort Ward Fund for Wilmington, N. C., 10.81; A. Wentworth Endowment Fund, 45.74; Dr. M. C. Williams Endowment Fund, 24.07; Mary E. Wilcox Memorial Fund for Scholarship Talladega College, 48.15; J. and L. H. Wood Theological Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 48.15; Yale Library Fund for Talladega College, 25.23; Caroline M. Martin Endowment Fund: For Demorest, Ga., 96.29; for McIntosh, Ga., 96.29; for Memphis, Tenn., 96.29; for Austin, Texas, 96.29; for Clinton, Miss., 96.29; for Straight University, New Orleans, La., 96.29; for Bricks, N. C., 96.29; for Kings Mountain, N. C., 96.29; for Cotton Valley, Ala., 96.29; for Marion, Ala., 96.29; for Fessenden, Fla., 96.29; for Evarts, Ky., 96.29; for Santee, Neb., 96.29; for Santurce, Porto Rico, 96.29.

TUITION—\$72,153.78.

Cappahosic, Va., 854.05; Beaufort, N. C., 230.75; Bricks, N. C., 1,238.40; King's Mountain, N. C., 507; Saluda, N. C., 1,334.76; Troy, N. C., 640.50; Wilmington, N. C., 1,687.71; Charleston, S. C., 2,485; Greenwood, S. C., 1,002.77; Albany, Ga., 884.84; Athens, Ga., 1,460.08; Demorest, Ga., 6,841.51; McIntosh, Ga., 441.10; Macon, Ga., 3,535.86; Savannah, Ga., 839.60; Thomsville, Ga., 1,337.12; Fessenden, Fla., 625.79; Athens, Ala., 1,140.45; Cotton Valley, Ala., 232.96; Florence, Ala., 788.59; Jopka, Ala., 346.42; Marion, Ala., 1,391.37; Mobile, Ala., 2,388.85; Talladega, Ala., 5,227.36; Lexington, Ky., 1,021.44; Grand View, Tenn., 1,277.72; Memphis, Tenn., 4,491.04; Nashville, Tenn., 13,419.70; Pleasant Hill, Tenn., 1,093.45; Clinton, Miss., 376.50; Moorhead, Miss., 250.30; Mound Bayou, Miss., 628.32; Tougaloo, Miss., 3,021.71; New Orleans, La., 6,174.21; Austin, Tex., 2,183.08; Santee, Neb., 135; Ebbo-woods, N. D., 25.90; Santurce, P. R., 181.18; Fort Yates, N. D., 411.39.

SLATER FUND—\$5,334.00.

Fessenden, Fla., 184; Talladega, Ala., 900; Memphis, Tenn., 450; Nashville, Tenn., 2,000; Tougaloo, Miss., 900; New Orleans, La., 900. Total \$5,334.00.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS FOR SEPTEMBER, 1916.

Donations	\$ 66,826.80
Legacies	21,426.38
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Income	\$ 88,253.18
Tuition	31,075.19
Slater Fund	72,153.78
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Total	\$196,816.15

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS TWELVE MONTHS.**From Oct. 1, 1915, to Sept. 30, 1916.**

Donations	\$231,972.40
Legacies	79,698.59
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Income	\$311,670.99
Tuition	31,075.19
Slater Fund	72,153.78
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	\$420,233.96

Congregational Church Building Society

Charles H. Baker, Treasurer - 287 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Receipts for June and July, 1916

(Continued from October Number)

W. H. M. U.—Appleton: .35. Ashland: .75. Berlin: .45. Bloomington: .70. Bos-cobol: .70. Brandon: 1.50. Cable: .35. Clinton: 2.20. Darlington: .35. Delaven: S. S., 9.70. Edgerton: 1.05. Evansville: .25. Janesville: 2.25. Milton: S. S., 5.00. Milwaukee: Grand Ave., 1.50. Mineral Point: .90. Racine: Plymouth Zornitza Bd., .85. Stoughton: .45. Sun Prairie: 2.00. Waukesha: 2.50. Whitewater: 13.50.

WYOMING—\$87.86.

Big Piney: 1.50. Boulder: .20. Buffalo: 3.04. Cheyenne: 1st W. S., 4.08. Dayton: 1.50. Douglas: 1st, 6.66. Guernsey: 55.20. Pinedale: .50. Wheatland: 15.18.

CHURCH LOANS REFUNDED—\$20,163.45.**CALIFORNIA—**

Cotati: 1st, 80.00. Glendale: 1st, 140.00. San Diego: Logan Heights, 250.00.

COLORADO—

Pueblo: 1st, Bal. 400.00.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—

Washington: Ingram, 100.00.

FLORIDA—

West Palm Beach: 250.00.

GEORGIA—

Atlanta: 1st, 50.00.

IDAHO—

Lewiston: Pilgrim, 35.00. Wallace: 1st, 50.00.

ILLINOIS—

East St. Louis: Goodrich, 100.00. Mar-sailles: 1st, 250.00. Wilmette: 100.00.

INDIANA—

East Chicago: 1st, 100.00.

IOWA—

Muscatine: 1st, 250.00. Sherrill: Ger-man, 60.00.

KANSAS—

Ellis: 1st, 237.50. **Kansas City:** Central, 200.00.

MAINE—

West Paris: Finnish, 50.00.

MASSACHUSETTS—

East Boston: Baker, Bal. 300.00. **Haverhill:** Riverside, 30.00. **Maynard:** Finnish, 150.00. **Springfield:** Emanuel, 250.00. **Waban:** Union, 500.00.

MICHIGAN—

Grand Rapids: Smith Meml., 100.00.

MINNESOTA—

Glenwood: 340.00. **International Falls:** 50.00. **Marietta:** 100.00. **Minneapolis:** Lynnhurst, 200.00; 38th St., 250.00.

MONTANA—

Big Timber: 275.00. **Galata:** 20.00. **Great Falls:** 1st, 700.00.

NEBRASKA—

Bertrand: 100.00. **Havelock:** 1st, 100.00. **Lincoln:** Swedish, 250.00.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—

Salem: Ararat, 80.00.

NEW JERSEY—

Bernardsville: 1st, 62.50. **Haworth:** 150.00. **Hoboken:** Norwegian, 50.00. **Plainfield:** Bal., 4250.00.

NEW YORK—

Buffalo: Plymouth, Bal., 4400.00. **Granville:** 20.00. **New York:** Swedish Emanuel, 150.00. **Port Morris:** Swed-Finnish Bal., 450.00. **Sinclairville:** 20.00. **Tucka-hoe:** 300.00. **White Plains:** Westchester, 400.00.

NORTH DAKOTA—

Carrington: 400.00. **Eldridge:** 30.00. **Hankinson:** 75.00. **Hebron:** 50.00.

OHIO—

Cleveland: Lake View, 250.00; Swedish, 350.00. **Martin's Ferry:** 1st, 249.00.

OREGON—

Condon: 50.00.

PENNSYLVANIA—

Du Bois: Swedish, 375.00. **Glenolden:** 200.00. **Oakland Borough:** 10.00. **South Sharon:** 1st, 200.00.

SOUTH DAKOTA—

Mission Hill: 100.00. **Rapid City:** 1st, 250.00. **Underwood:** Bal., 50.95.

TEXAS—

Austin: 100.00.

VERMONT—

Alburl: 98.50.

WASHINGTON—

Everett: 100.00. **Malden:** 40.00; D. A. Class, 25.00. **Walla Walla:** Zion, 60.00.

WISCONSIN—

Hillsboro: 150.00. **Oshkosh:** 1st German, 50.00. **Two Rivers:** 150.00.

CHURCH LOAN CONTRIBUTIONS—\$105.00**CONNECTICUT—**

Middletown: Mrs. W. W. W., 100.00.

Seymour: C. T. A., 5.00.

LEGACIES—\$1726.16.

Estate Alice M. Goodrich, Hartford, Ct., 150.00. Estate Janette T. Kimball, Watertown, Mass., 533.91. Estate Cyrus S. Richards, Washington, D. C., 17.25. Estate Emma F. Southworth, Portland, Me., 50.00. Estate Josephine C. Whiting, No. Brookfield, Mass., 925.00.

ANNUITIES—\$1500.00

Concord, N. H.; Mrs. M. E. L., 1200.00. East Poultney, Vt.; J. M., 300.00.

INTEREST ON CHURCH LOANS—\$973.61**ARKANSAS—**

Texarkana: 41.00.

ILLINOIS—

Wilmette: 11.25.

INDIANA—

East Chicago: 1st, 49.00.

IOWA—

Charles City: 1st, 36.00. **Oskaloosa:** 36.11.

KANSAS—

Hutchinson: 35.00. **Manhattan:** 1st, 99.00.

MASSACHUSETTS—

Waban: 45.00.

MICHIGAN—

East Lansing: Peoples, 21.00.

MINNESOTA—

Glenwood: 10.20.

MISSOURI—

Kansas City: Prospect Ave., 40.00. **St. Louis:** Cheltenham, 35.00.

MONTANA—

Great Falls: 1st, 72.00.

NEW YORK—

Buffalo: Plymouth, 32.26. **Granville:** 21.00. **Jamestown:** Pilgrim, 30.34. **White Plains:** Westchester, 87.00.

NORTH DAKOTA—

Carrington: 12.00.

OHIO—

Cleveland: Lake View, 35.00; Swedish, 24.50. **Columbus:** Eastwood, 6.00. **Martins Ferry:** 12.49.

OKLAHOMA—

Muskogee: 35.00.

TEXAS—

Austin: 25.46.

WASHINGTON—

Seattle: Pilgrim, 10.00. **Spokane:** Swedish, 8.00.

WISCONSIN—

Dodgeville: Plymouth, 15.00. **Grand Rapids:** 1st, 45.00.

WYOMING—

Sheridan: 1st, 44.00.

INTEREST & DIVIDENDS—\$1403.75

American Tel. & Tel. Co., 500.00. Aurora, Elgin & Chicago, 125.00. Boston & Lowell, 60.00. Central Hudson Gas & Elec., 250.00. Chicago R. I. & Pac., 200.00. Concord & Montreal, 5.25. Cleveland Trust, 17.50. Fairbanks, Morse & Co., 21.00. Springfield F. & M., 25.00. Southern Pacific Co., 200.00.

INTEREST ON BANK ACCTS. ETC.—\$999.59

Astor Trust, 249.66. Franklin Trust, 60.73. Guernsey, Wyo., 30. Park Ridge, Ill. Ger., 533.67. Union Trust 155.14.

MISCELLANEOUS—\$238.85

Notary Fees, 3.50. C. H. R. Income Tax, 15.00. Des Moines, Ia., Pilgrim, 75.00. Garfield, Kan., 100.00. Legal fee returned, 10.00. Refund Travel Expense, 35. San Bernardino, Cal., Ret. Prem., 15.00. Valdez, Alaska, Ret. Prem., 20.00.

PARTICULAR CHURCHES—\$5.00**MASSACHUSETTS—**

North Adams: 5.00.

INTEREST ON PARSONAGE LOAN—\$253.44

Park Ridge, Ill.: German, 253.44.

FOR PARSONAGE BUILDING—\$225.60**CALIFORNIA—**

Escondido: on loan, 20.00. Los Angeles: Plymouth, on loan, 125.00. Wasco: on loan, 15.00.

COLORADO—

Craig: on loan, 27.50. Fort Collins: German, on loan, 50.00. Globeville: German, on loan, 50.00. Julesburg: 1st, on loan, 25.00. Paonia: 1st on loan, 70.00. Pueblo: Pilgrim, on loan, 50.00. Redvale: 1st, on loan, 30.00.

CONNECTICUT—

A friend, 3.00. Bridgeport: Mrs. V. T., 5.00. Hartford: Mrs. M. W. H., 10.00. Meriden: Mr. W. H. C., 5.00. New Milford: Mrs. A. E. B., 100.00. North Granby: Swedish loan, 25.00. Simsbury: R. H. E., 25.00.

W. H. M. U.—Derby: 2nd 10.00. Wethersfield: 10.00.

IDAHO—

Kellogg: on loan, 15.00.

ILLINOIS—

Chicago: Wellington Ave. loan, 150.00. Park Ridge: German loan, 580.00. Paxton: Mrs. M. E. S., 50.00.

W. H. M. U.—Waverly: 7.00.

IOWA—

Riceville: Mrs. D. W. K., 40.00.

W. H. M. U.—Alden: 1.00. Anita: 1.06. Atlantic: .66. Cedar Falls: 5.32. Des Moines: N. Park, 2.88. Grinnell: 9.90. Manson: 3.34. New Hampton: 1.06. Ottumwa: 1st, 3.32. Reinbeck: 5.06. Sheldon: 5.33. Union: .84. Waverly: 2.66.

KANSAS—

Seneca: 1st, on loan, 50.00.

LOUISIANA—

Lake Charles: Redeemer Rent, 30.40.

MAINE—

Ashland: Union, on loan, 50.00. Calais: a friend, 3.00. Hampden: Mrs. S. C. C., 30.00. Lincoln: 1st, on loan, 30.00.

MASSACHUSETTS—

Brookline: Mrs. A. S. L., 15.00. Dalton: Mrs. F. H. C., 5.00. Gloucester: Mrs. M. B., 5.00. Hyde Park: Mrs. A. B. B., 5.00. Monterey: Bal. on loan, 550.00. North Easton: Swedish loan, 50.00. Roxbury: Mrs. A. C. T., 5.00. South Hadley Falls: Mrs. E. G., 400.00. Smiths, Mrs. S., 15.00. West Medway: Mrs. K., 25.00. Worcester: Miss J. E. J., 1.00.

W. H. M. A.—Mass. & R. I.: 500.00.

MINNESOTA—

Ada: on loan, 40.00.

MONTANA—

Froid: Union, on loan, 35.00.

NEBRASKA—

Uehling: on loan, 30.00.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—

Bennington: Mrs. C. M. W., 25.00. Rindge: H. E. W., 10.00.

NEW JERSEY—

Asbury Park: Rent, 77.07. Chatham: Stanley, on loan, 50.00.

NEW YORK—

Jamestown: Pilgrim, on loan, 50.00. Moravia: Mrs. C. L. T., 22.50. Pine Island: German, on loan, 25.00. Rockaway Beach: on loan, 80.00. Wadhams: Miss A. M. S., 3.00.

W. H. M. U.—New York: B'way Tab., 50.00.

NORTH CAROLINA—

Burlington: Clinton Meml. loan, 5.00.

NORTH DAKOTA—

Bowman: on loan, 20.00. Deering: on loan, 10.00. Esmond: 1st, on loan, 35.00. Flasher: on loan, 25.00. Granville: on loan, 50.00. Mohall: Union, on loan, 20.00. Sentinel Butte: 1st, on loan, 25.00. Fargo: on loan, 25.00.

OKLAHOMA—

Breckenridge: 1st, on loan, 7.50. Alva: rent, 16.00. West Guthrie: rent, 4.50.

OREGON—

The Dalles: A. S. B., 25.00.

PENNSYLVANIA—

Shenandoah City: on loan, 50.00.

RHODE ISLAND—

W. H. M. A.—Mass. & R. I.: see entry under Mass.

SOUTH DAKOTA—

Belle Fourche: on loan, 25.00. Chamberlain: on loan, 50.00. Clear Lake: on loan, 40.00. Mitchell: on loan, 80.00. Mo-bridge: on loan, 75.00. Sioux Falls: on loan, 125.00. Sorum: on loan, 62.50. Underwood: on loan, 12.50. Webster: on loan, 30.00.

WASHINGTON—

Anacortes: on loan, 17.00. Colfax: Plymouth, on loan, 75.00. Ione: on loan, 12.50. Kalama: on loan, 35.00. Pasco: on loan, 20.00. Pleasant Valley: on loan, 20.00. Rosedale: on loan, 20.00. Raiston: on loan, 35.00. Trent: on loan, 15.00.

WISCONSIN—

New London: on loan, 50.00. Oshkosh: Plymouth, on loan, 120.00. Solon Springs: on loan, 30.00. South Milwaukee: Ger. Rent 37.70. Trego: on loan, 17.50.

WYOMING—

Worland: on loan, 100.00.

TOTALS.For Church Building\$37,528.52
For Particular Churches 5.00
For Parsonage Building 5,479.04

\$43,012.56

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August Receipts**CALIFORNIA (NORTHERN)—**

Alturas: .43. Angel's Camp: W. M. S., .17. Berkeley: First, 39.26; Park, 2.06;

W. M. S., .70; North, 6.45. Bethany: W. M. S., .12. Campbell: W. M. S., .91. Ceres: First W. M. S., .08. Eureka: W. M. S., .21.

Ferndale: W. M. S., 1.05. **Field's Landing:** .43; W. M. S., .07. **Lodi:** First W. M. S., 1.15. **Martinez:** 1.17; W. M. S., .44. **Mill Valley:** W. M. S., .06. **Oakland:** First W. M. S., 10.78; Calvary, 1.10; W. M. S., .48; Pilgrim, 1.80; Myrtle Street W. M. S., .70; Plymouth W. M. S., 2.52; Boulevard, 3.50. **Oroville:** W. M. S., .48. **Pacific Grove:** 5.91. **Palo Alto:** W. M. S., 2.77. **Paradise:** 1.07. **Petaluma:** 17.00; W. M. S., 1.05. **Porterville:** W. M. S., .90. **Redwood:** W. M. S., 1.40. **Ripon:** 2.50. **Sacramento:** W. M. S., .70. **San Francisco:** First W. M. S., 2.10. **Sanger:** 6.50. **Saratoga:** W. M. S., 1.55. **Sonoma:** W. M. S., .70. **Suisun:** W. M. S., .55. **Sunnyvale:** W. M. S., .31. **Tulare:** W. M. S., 1.62. Total \$122.75, of which \$17.00 is a C. D. Coll'n and \$83.57 received through W. H. M. U.

CALIFORNIA (SOUTHERN)—

Barstow: 2.33. **Brea:** .18. **Calipatria:** .67. **Chula Vista:** 17.66. **Claremont:** 16.18. **Graham:** 3.91. **La Mesa:** Central, 2.50. **Lavandale:** 4.31. **Lemon Grove:** 1.00. **Los Angeles:** First, 33.02; Park, 10.50; Mayflower, 1.60; Vernon Av., 20.00; East, 8.25; Olivet, 3.22; Grace, .60; Bethlehem, Japanese, .50; Hollywood, .90; Messiah, 4.46; Berean, 1.50; Athens, .98. **Maricopa:** 1.50. **Monrovia:** 3.75. **Norwalk:** .53. **Oneonta:** S., 9.70. **Ontario:** 31.50. **Pasadena:** First, 8.75; Pilgrim, 1.45; Lake Ave., 4.50. **Pomona:** 3.95. **Redlands:** .338. **Redondo Beach:** 2.48. **Rialto:** S., 8.40. **San Bernardino:** First, .23. **San Diego:** First, 16.94; Logan Heights, 25.85; Ocean Beach, 5.85. **San Jacinto:** .20. **San Ysidro:** .15. **Sherman:** .50. **Ventura:** 15.17. **Villa Park:** 1.48. **Wasco:** 2.80. **W. H. M. U.:** 17.98. Total \$310.31, of which \$35.76 is C. D. Coll'n's and \$17.98 received through W. H. W. U.

COLORADO—

Arriba: S., 4.02. **Collbran:** S., 4.00. **Denver:** First, 33.95; Pilgrim S., 2.00; People's Tabernacle S., 3.04. **Longmont:** 10.00. **Redvale:** S., 2.50. **Stratton:** S., .75. **Service:** 2.38. Total \$62.64 of which \$16.31 is C. D. Coll'n's.

CONNECTICUT—

Berlin: C. & S., 33.50. **Bridgeport:** King's Highway Chapel, 6.14. **Cornwall:** North S., 5.00. **Deep River:** S., 10.70. **Eastford:** 2.02. **Ellsworth:** Aux., 11.00. **Enfield:** Prim. Dept., 10.00. **Hartford:** South S., 38.61; W. M. S., 19.00; Immanuel, 62.28; Warburton Chapel, S., 15.22; Shelton Av., 10.50. **Meriden:** First W. L., 11.35. **Middlefield:** 2.52. **Mt. Carmel:** Aux., 2.00. **New Britain:** South, W. M. S., 25.00. **New London:** First, 20.30; Second S., 39.01. **North Woostock:** .88. **Prospect:** 4.00. **Salem:** "Fox Fund," .53. **Salisbury:** W. M. S., 12.00; Aux., 7.00. **Somers:** S., 6.92. **Southport:** 28.67. **Washington:** 29.25. **Waterbury:** First L. B. S., 10.00; Bunker Hill S., 7.64. **Windham:** 30.00. **Windsor:** Aux., 16.00. **Windsor Locks:** 6.24. **Woodstock:** 1.16. **W. H. M. U.:** Int. on Trust Funds, 55.99. Total \$546.43, of which \$101.45 is C. D. Coll'n's and \$194.40 received through W. H. M. U.

FLORIDA—

St. Petersburg: 5.25. **Tangerine:** 4.45. **West Tampa:** Cuban, .45. Total, \$6.15.

GEORGIA—

Columbus: First S., 3.00. **Woodbury:** S., 2.45. Total \$5.45, which is C. D. Coll'n's.

IDAHO—

Challis: 5.00; Council: S., 3.30. **Kimama:** 11.90. **Meridian:** 1.00. **Mountain Home:** 8.00. **Weiser:** 3.00. Total \$32.20, of which \$3.30 is a C. D. Coll'n.

ILLINOIS—

Albion: S., 4.00; W. M. S., 3.85. **Alton:** S., 4.61. **Amboy:** .82. **Anawan:** S., 3.60. **Atkinson:** 7.85. **Anrora:** First S., 20.00; New England, 5.98; W. M. S., 3.00. **Bowen:** 2.50. **Byron:** .81. **Caledonia:** 3.00. **Carpentersville:** W. M. S., 2.45. **Champaign:** 8.53. **Chicago:** Thomas Mem'l., 1.50; Forest Glen, S., 5.60; Grayland S., 5.00; Irving Park Immanuel W. M. S., 1.00; Leavitt St., 10.00; Mont Clare, .80. **New England:** W. M. S., 2.00; Plymouth W. M. S., 1.00; Ravenswood, 8.37; S., 5.00; Rogers Park C. E., 2.00; Washington Park S., 1.54; W. M. S., 3.00; West Pullman S., 10.00. **Danville:** First W. M. S., 1.00. **Dundee:** W. M. S., 1.56. **East Moline:** 72; W. M. S., 1.00. **Elburn:** C. & S., 10.33. **Elgin:** 15.00. **Evans-ton:** 100. **Forrest:** W. M. S., 2.00. **Gene-seo:** W. M. S., 1.0. **Glen View:** .50. **God-frey:** 1.00. **Hinsdale:** 30.00. **Ivanhoe:** W. M. S., 1.00. **Jacksonville:** M. S. Circle, 1.40. **Lily Lake:** S., 2.00. **Lockport:** S., 8.00. **Loda:** 4.35. **Lyndon:** W. M. S., 1.00. **May-wood:** S., 10.00. **Milburn:** S., 9.52. **Moline:** First, 3.42; W. M. S., 1.00. **Morgan Park:** W. M. S., 1.00. **Oak Park:** Harvard W. M. S., 2.00; North Berwyn: 5.00. **Ottawa:** 10.85. **Payson:** S., 17.61. **Pecatonica:** W. M. S., 1.00; **Peoria:** First S., 32.80. **Peru:** W. M. S., 1.00. **Princeton:** 2.33. **Prophetstown:** W. M. S., 1.00. **Rio:** S., 2.00. **Rockford:** First, 14.85; S., 17.51; W. M. S., 3.00. **Roscoe:** 1.05. **Roseville:** S., 10.25. **Sand-wich:** 14.00. **Seatonville:** S., 4.32. **Seward:** Second, 4.00. **Shabbona:** 2.50; **Shelfield:** 14.97. **Sterling:** 3.76. **Sycamore:** 31.02. **Tonica:** 5.66. **Union:** S., 9.00. **Wataga:** 5.26; S., 5.00. **Waukegan:** W. M. S., 1.00. **Winnetka:** 30.77; S., 36.91. Total, \$625.06, of which \$161.92 is C. D. Coll'n's, and \$100.11 received through W. H. M. U.

INDIANA—

Angola: 8.00. **Indianapolis:** First S., 5.00. **W. M. S.,** 5.00. **Kokomo:** S., 6.00. **Porter:** S., 18.15. **Portland:** S., 10.00. Total, \$52.15, of which \$32.15 is C. D. Coll'n's and \$26.00 received through W. H. M. U.

IOWA—

Algona: W. M. S., .92. **Atlantic:** 9.11. **Belmond:** W. M. S., .42. **Bondurant:** S., 6.00. **Castana:** 4.00. **Cedar Falls:** 9.13. **Cedar Rapids:** W. M. S., 7.40. **Chester:** 10.00. **Clarion:** S., 16.00. **Clinton:** S., 9.23. **Davenport:** Edwards, 4.15. **Des Moines:** Waveland Park S., 2.00. **Dickens:** S., .32. **Earlville:** S., 10.65. **Eddyville:** W. M. S., 3.00. **Elkader:** W. M. S., .67. **Emmetsburg:** 6.25. **Farmington:** S., 3.50. **Galt:** 2.35. **Givin:** 1.50. **Glenwood:** W. M. S., .75. **Grinnell:** W. M. S., 34.07. **Harlan:** 3.75. **Iowa City:** 7.50; S., 3.13. **Keosauqua:** 1.40. **Kingsley:** S., 16.50. **McGregor:** 2.65. **Mason City:** S., 15.00. **Miles:** S., 6.00. **Monticello:** 3.75. **Moorland:** 4.00. **Muscantine:** First, 2.34. **New Hampton:** First S., 12.36. **Old Man's Creek:** 7.00. **Orchard:** S., 3.25. **Orient:** 1.75. **Oskaloosa:** 2.80. **Pioneer:** S., 1.86. **Postville:** W. M. S., 1.51. **Red Oak:** 2.25; W. M. S., 1.00. **Riceville:** S., 12.00. **Rockford:** S., 5.35. **Rodney:** 2.03. **Shenandoah:** S., 22.20; W. M. S., 6.81. **Spencer:** W. M. S., 2.17; **Tripoli:** 2.00. **Webster:** 3.00. **Webster City:** 6.55. **Wittenburg:** S., 6.92. Total, \$310.22, of which \$105.82 is C. D. Coll'n's and \$56.55 received through W. H. M. U.

KANSAS—

Athol: S., 10.00. **Atwood:** S., 1.05. **Centralia:** C. & S., 8.00; W. M. S., 1.50. **Clay Center:** S., 5.25. **Council Grove:** C. & S., 10.75. **Fredonia:** 6.00. **Kiowa:** 14.00. **Leav-enworth:** 20.00; W. M. S., 1.25. **Milford:** 6.45. **Olathe:** C. & S., 4.00. **Oshorne:** C. & S., 8.50. **Paola:** 3.50. **Pittsburg:** 6.00. **Sherman:** C. & S., 1.00. **Stockton:** 10.00. **Tonganoxie:** C. & S., 11.00. **Topeka:** First,

8.32; W. M. S., 4.18; Central: 11.00; Sea-brook, C. & S., 1.55. **Wakarusa Valley:** C. & S., 4.00. **Wellington:** 9.00; W. M. S., 5.00. **White Cloud:** 4.00. Total, \$175.30 of which \$56.10 is C. D. Coll'ns and \$11.93 received through W. H. M. U.

KENTUCKY—

Newport: 4.20; L. A., .45. Total \$4.65, of which .45c is received through W. H. M. U.

LOUISIANA—

Chacahoula: 2.00. **Gneydan:** 4.90. **Hollier:** S., .55. **Raceland:** S., 1.05. Total, \$8.50.

MAINE—

Bangor: All Souls W. M. S., 7.50. **Brewer:** South, 3.00. **Brunswick:** 15.79. **Bucksport:** S., 1.00. **East Machias:** W. M. S., .25. **Farmington:** First, 5.00. **Hiram:** 1.00. **Holden:** 1.30; W. M. S., .50. **Orrington:** W. M. S., .25. **Oxford:** W. M. S., .50. **Portland:** High St. W. M. S., .35. **State St. S.,** .30; **Woodfords,** W. M. S., 7.39. **Thomaston:** W. M. S., .40. **Westbrook:** W. M. S., 3.79. Total, \$48.32, of which \$22.23 is received through W. H. M. U.

MASSACHUSETTS—

Abington: 6.71. **Andover:** South S., 28.88. **Ashburnham:** 4.63. **Barnardston:** 2.86. **Boston:** Roxbury, Highland, S., 6.47. **Chicopee:** Second, 8.36. **Clinton:** First, 24.00. **Cummington:** West, .75. **East Longmeadow:** 5.00. **Franklin:** 10.84. **Granville:** West, 1.50. **Lee:** S., 50.00. **Leominster:** 7.88. **Lowell:** Eliot S., 4.41; Highland, 4.25; Kirk, 17.00. **Methuen:** 13.14. **Middleboro:** First, 6.38. **Mills:** 2.67. **Milton:** 4.14; East, 4.95. **Northfield:** "A Friend," 25.00. **Pittsfield:** First, 100.38. **Quincy:** Wollaston S., 26.31. **Sherborn:** S., 4.68. **Springfield:** Park, 10.00. **Swampscott:** S., 5.36. **Wakefield:** 17.45. **West Boylston:** S., 25.00. **West Newbury:** First, 2.50. **West Springfield:** First, 11.96; **Mittineague,** 3.00. **Weymouth and Braintree:** 6.80; First S., East, 10.00. **Winchendon:** First, 4.00. **Worcester:** Central 60.00. **Plymouth,** 36.39. **W. H. M. A. of Mass. and R. I.:** 246.00. Total, \$809.65, of which 152.09, is C. D. Coll'ns and \$246.00 received through W. H. M. A.

MICHIGAN—

Bradley: 3.61. **Brimley:** 5.00. **Central Lake:** 4.00. **Charlevoix:** 20.00. **Coloma:** S., 4.00. **East Lansing:** .84. **Grandville:** 7.00. **Hopkins:** First, 6.38. **Ironton:** 4.56. **Kalamazoo:** 10.00. **Lausing:** Mayflower, 2.00. **Muskegan:** First, 12.50. **Old Mission:** 5.00. **Perry:** 3.69. **Pittsford:** 5.00. **Port Huron:** First, 15.00. **St. Clair:** 8.00; S., 9.00. **St. Joseph:** 27.50. **Sandstone:** 4.00. **South Haven:** 4.45; **Traverse City:** First, 5.00. **Westwood:** S., 3.10. **Wheatland:** 8.88. **Wolverine:** 3.25. Total \$181.76 of which \$12.10 is C. D. Coll'ns.

MINNESOTA—

Aitken: S., 1.25; **Alexandria:** First S., 3.33. **Appleton:** W. M. S., .35. **Argyle:** W. M. S., .70. **Austin:** 4.50; S., 10.84. **Beard:** .45. **Brainerd:** First, 2.25. **Cannon Falls:** First, 1.13; S., 5.00. **Cass Lake:** W. M. S., .63. **Cedar Spur:** S., 1.60. **Duluth:** Pilgrim, 22.50. **Excelsior:** S., 23.03. **Fairmont:** 1.35. **Faribault:** 6.79. **Felton:** S., 1.67. **Fergus Falls:** W. M. S., .88. **Freeborn:** 3.57. **Glenwood:** S., 7.90. **Graceville:** W. M. S., .41. **Grand Meadow:** .23. **Granite Falls:** W. M. S., .96. **Groveland:** 3.21; W. M. S., 1.26. **Hutchinson:** W. M. S., .70. **Lake City:** First, 13.36. **Lyle:** W. M. S., .25. **Madison:** S., 15.00. **Mankato:** First, W. M. S., .42. **Marietta:** .64. **Minneapolis:** First, 4.50; W. M. S., 4.20; **Plymouth,** 32.62; W. M. S., 11.08; **Park Ave.,** W. M. S., 1.87; **Pilgrim,** 2.25; W. M. S., 1.00; **Vine,** 2.02; S.,

11.05; **Lyndale,** 3.22; S., 10.00; **Fifth Ave.,** 16.12; **Oak Park,** W. M. S., .50. **Forest Heights,** 6.07; **Linden Hills,** 5.94. **Montevideo:** W. M. S., 1.40. **Morris:** W. M. S., .55. **Nassau:** W. M. S., .42. **Northfield:** S., 13.10. **Owatonna:** W. M. S., .84. **Pitt:** S., .44. **St. Paul:** Pacific W. M. S., 1.32; **St. Anthony Park,** 32.13; W. M. S., 2.22; **Olivet,** 4.50; **South Park,** W. M. S., .42. **Sauk Rapids:** S., 5.00; W. M. S., .42. **Sleepy Eye:** S., 6.72. **Spring Valley:** .85; S., 13.03; W. M. S., .61. **Wadena:** S., 7.41. **Waseca:** W. M. S., 1.20. **Waterville:** S., 4.50. **Zumbrota:** .04. Total, \$345.72 of which \$126.18 is C. D. Coll'ns and \$48.37 received through W. H. M. U.

MISSOURI—

Aurora: S., 16.27. **Joplin:** East, 3.00. **Kansas City:** Ivanhoe Park, 12.00. **Lebanon:** 5.00. **New Cambria:** S., 5.00. **Sedalia:** First, 5.63; S., 3.00. **Springfield:** First, 11.03; **German,** 3.00; S., 2.00. Total, \$65.93, of which \$49.30 is C. D. Coll'ns.

MONTANA—

Arlee: .50. **Bainville:** .75. **Dixon:** 1.20. **Hardin:** 5.00. **Hibbard Creek:** S., .23. **Lanark:** .92. **Mildred:** .82. **Plevna:** .68. **Ryegate:** 1.52. **Springdale:** S., 1.05. **Years:** S., .33. **Service:** .60. Total, \$13.60, of which \$5.00 is a C. D. Coll'n.

NEBRASKA—

Ainsworth: 11.00; S., 11.00. **Almeria:** S., 8.17. **Ashland:** 37.50. **Bertrand:** 15.50. **Creighton:** S., 10.55. **Crofton:** S., .38. **Fairfield:** 21.00. **Franklin:** 6.00. **Geneva:** 32.00. **Germantown:** Union S., .50. **Hemingford:** S., 9.50. **Lincoln:** Plymouth, 22.13. **Madison Square:** S., 9.26. **Milford:** S., 6.88. **Moulton:** S., 6.80. **Park:** S., 15.00. **Petersburg:** 8.25. **York:** 4.00. Total, \$235.42 of which \$86.53 is C. D. Coll'ns.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—

Goffstown: 6.92. **Hudson:** 1.64. **Lancaster:** 2.53. **Marlboro:** .67. **Pittsfield:** "Mrs. S. R. W.," 25.00. **Portsmouth:** S., 23.16. **Salem:** 3.35. Total \$63.27 of which \$30.03 is C. D. Coll'ns.

NEW JERSEY—

Elizabeth: 15.00. **Montclair:** Watchung Av., 4.00. **Nutley:** S., 13.06. Total, \$32.06, of which \$13.06 is a C. D. Coll'n.

NEW MEXICO—

Service: 20.00.

NEW YORK—

Binghamton: East Side, 10.00. **Canandaigua:** S., 33.81. **Columbus:** S., 5.50. **Danby:** S., 6.00. **Groton:** S., 25.00. **Hopkinton:** S., 2.25. **Lisbon:** S., 4.00. **Mount Vernon:** First, 9.00; S., 15.00. **New Lebanon:** S., 5.00. **Norfolk:** S., 3.00. **Norwich:** 3.11. **Oriskany Falls:** 2.00. **Port Leyden:** .62. **Salamanca:** S., 7.00. **Syracuse,** Plymouth, 45.00. **Ticonderoga:** 1.15. **White Plains:** W. M. S., 25.00. **Friends:** Fairport, 10.00. Total, \$212.44, of which \$109.56 is C. D. Coll'ns, and \$25.00 received through W. H. M. U.

NORTH CAROLINA—

Concord: S., 1.00., which is a C. D. Coll'n.

NORTH DAKOTA—

Bentley: 1.74. **Cleveland:** 2.23. **Dickinson:** 1.60. **Dodge:** 6.00. **Dunn Center:** 2.10. **Flasher:** 1.80. **Foothills:** S., 2.65. **Foxholm:** S., 6.03. **Glen Ullin:** 4.00. **Hebron:** 2.35. **Killdeer:** 1.40. **Lignite:** S., 2.00. **Regent:** 1.95. **Sawyer:** 3.00. **Shields:** 2.65. **Stady:** S., 9.64. Total, \$51.14, of which \$20.32 is C. D. Coll'ns.

OHIO—

Akron: First W. M. S., 6.30; West, 8.55; W. M. S. 26.15. **Alexis:** S., 5.00. **Ashland:** 5.05. **Ashtabula:** Second, 7.16. **Aurora:** S., 9.90; W. M. S., .90. **Austintown:** W. M. S., .90. **Belpre:** S., 10.00; W. M. S., 1.35. **Berea:** W. M. S., .90. **Berlin Heights:** W. M. S., .56. **Brownhelm:** S., 8.20. **Burton:** W. M. S., .90. **Castalia:** S. 3.28. **Centennial:** S., 5.36. **Center Belpre:** S., 2.86. **Chagrin Falls:** S., 15.79. **Cincinnati:** Walnut Hills W. M. S., 2.34. **Claridon:** W. M. S., .63. **Cleveland:** First S., 1.85; W. A., 1.44; Collinwood, 6.13; Grace W. A., 4.1. **Park:** 5.00; S., .90; W. A., 1.55; Y. L. S., .45; C. E., .34; Highland W. A., .59; North S., 10.45; Bethel, Nor-Dan., 5.00; Mizpah, 4.00; S., 6.00; United S., 2.94; East View S., .14; W. A., .14; Y. P., .14. **Columbus:** Plymouth L. S., 1.58; **Cuyahoga Falls:** L. M. S., 1.24. **Eagleville:** L. A. S., .23. **East Cleveland:** Calvary, 1.00; W. A., 1.13; East, 4.60; L. A., 1.58. **Elyria:** First W. A., 2.25; Second M. S., .65. **Fairport:** .23. **Fredericksburg:** S., 9.72. **Garrettsville:** 1.92. **Greenwich:** 1.25; W. M. S., .45. **Jefferson:** W. M. S., .95. **Kent:** W. M. S., 4.50. **Lima:** 1.27; W. M. S., 1.06. **Little Muskingum:** 1.50. **Lorain:** First S., 16.36. **Marietta:** First W. M. S., 8.24; Harmar S., 12.00. **Medina:** W. M. S., 11.34. **Mount Vernon:** 4.80; W. M. S., 2.25. **Newark:** Plymouth S., 10.70; W. A. 1.00. **New London:** W. M. S., .50. **Newton Falls:** W. M. S., .81. **North Fairfield:** W. M. S., .72. **North Ridgeville:** 1.20. **Norwalk:** L. A., .25. **Painesville:** First S., 12.50; W. M. S., 1.55. **Parkman:** 4.80. **Ravenna:** W. M. S., .90. **Richmond:** S., 2.00. **Ridgeville Corners:** 1.25. **Rock Creek:** S., 10.00; W. M. S., .68. **Sandusky:** W. L., .90. **Springfield:** First W. M. S., 1.24. **Sullivan:** W. M. S., .72. **Tallmadge:** S., 15.00. **Toledo:** First S., 2.32; W. M. S., 6.98; Washington St., 6.31; S., 100.00; Plymouth L. M. S., .23; Birmingham S., 2.50. **Troy:** .30; S., 4.50. **Twinsburg:** W. M. S., 1.08. **Unionville:** W. M. S., .38. **Wakeman:** W. M. S., 1.49. **Wauseon:** S., 18.00. **Wayne:** W. M. S., .72. **Wellington:** S., 12.01; W. A., 1.35. **West Andover:** S., 6.30. **West Williamsfield:** W. M. S., .90. **Windham:** S., 10.70; H. H. S., .56. **York:** S., 9.37; W. M. S., .54. **Youngstown:** Elm street S., 14.73; Plymouth L. M. S., .90. **Service:** 1.10. Total, \$531.64, of which \$332.44 is C. D. Coll'ns, and \$276.16 received through W. H. M. U.

OKLAHOMA—

Breckenridge: S., 2.40. **Gage:** .90. **Harmony:** .35. **Hillsdale:** S., 9.35. **Jennings:** S., 6.45. **Oklahoma City:** Pilgrim, 5.50. **Oktaha:** S., 5.55. Total, \$30.50 of which \$23.75 is C. D. Coll'ns.

OREGON—

Beaverton: S., 10.49. **Hillside:** C. & S., 5.00. **Hood River:** S., 2.90. **Ontario:** 3.00. **Portland:** First, 92.10; Sunnyside, 10.91; Highland, 2.00; Laurelwood S., 1.85. **Tolo:** S., 1.60. **Willard:** 8.50. **Friend:** Eagle Point, 1.25. Total, \$139.60, of which \$23.74 is C. D. Coll'ns.

PENNSYLVANIA—

Braddock: First S., 10.98. **Meadville:** 25.00. **Milroy:** S., 10.00. **Pittsburg:** Stationic S., Allegheny, 4.00. **Plymouth:** Pilgrim S., 5.00. **Friend:** "E. V. F.," 2.00.

Total, \$56.98, of which \$14.98 is C. D. Coll'ns.

RHODE ISLAND—

Providence: People's, 1.80.

SOUTH DAKOTA—

Aberdeen: W. M. S., .63. **Ada:** S., 3.10. **Aleester:** W. M. S., .58. **Armour:** W. M. S., .95. **Athol:** W. M. S., .37. **Belle Fourche:** W. M. S., .65. **Beresford:** 3.20; W. M. S., .45. **Bon Homme:** W. M. S., .35. **Canova:** W. M. S., .81. **Carthage:** W. M. S., .20. **Clark:** W. M. S., .64. **Cottonwood:** .35. **Custer:** 2.50. **Deadwood:** W. M. S., .82. **De Smet:** W. M. S., .45. **Elk Point:** S., .30. **Erwin:** S., 8.24; W. M. S., .55. **Gann Valley:** S., 7.50. **Glenview:** .74. **Gregory:** 2.85. **Henry:** S., 8.80. **Highmore:** .54. **Hudson:** S., .45; W. M. S., 1.12. **Huron:** W. M. S., 1.57. **Lake Preston:** W. M. S., .45. **Loomis:** W. M. S., .46. **Milbank:** S., 25.00; W. M. S., .95; Jr. C. E., .45. **Mission Hill:** W. M. S., .45. **Mobridge:** W. M. S., .31. **Myron:** S., 14.00. **Oacoma:** W. M. S., .54. **Redfield:** W. M. S., 2.18. **Ree Heights:** W. M. S., .84. **Santee:** W. M. S., .84. **Sioux Falls:** W. M. S., 2.55. **Springfield:** S., 8.17; W. M. S., 1.62. **Sunny Side:** .34; Gann Valley, S., 6.75. **Troy:** S., 1.00. **Valley Springs:** W. M. S., .45. **Vermillion:** W. M. S., 2.27. **Watertown:** W. M. S., 1.72. **Wheaton:** 6.80. **Willow Lake:** W. M. S., .45. Total, \$127.30 of which \$85.56 is C. D. Coll'ns, and \$27.42 received through W. H. M. U.

VERMONT—

Barre: East S., 2.50. **Braintree:** East, and West Brookfield S., 7.29. **Calais:** 1.00. **Dorset:** S., 8.00. **Glover:** 8.75. **Holland:** .82. **Ludlow:** S., 4.50. **New Haven:** 8.60. **Peacham:** S., 12.25. **Pittsford:** S., 4.88. **Wilmington:** 5.00. Total, \$63.59, of which \$35.77 is C. D. Coll'ns.

WASHINGTON—

Allyn: 3.00. **Anacortes:** 1.42. **Bellingham:** 1.77. **Bingen:** 1.00. **Christopher:** 3.75. **Elk:** 4.57. **Eureka:** .43. **Kenewick:** 1.05. **Newman Lake:** 3.00. **Otis Orchards:** 4.25. **Pataha City:** 2.10. **Seattle:** Edgewater, 20.00; Fairmount, .82; Fauntleroy, 2.67. **Spokane:** Swedish, 10.17. **Tacoma:** East, 6.52. **Tolt:** 4.02. **M. E. M. Conference:** S., 1.55. **Service:** 1.61. Total, \$73.70.

WEST VIRGINIA—

Ceredo: 2.00. **Huntington:** W. M. S., 2.97. Total, \$4.97 of which \$2.97 is received through W. H. M. U.

WISCONSIN—

Racine: First S., 10.24. **Roberts:** S., 13.35. Total \$23.59, which is C. D. Coll'ns. Total for the month \$5,395.79, of which \$1,667.25 is C. D. Coll'ns, and \$1,089.14 received through W. H. M. U.

During the month the Society has aided 28 schools, of which 7 were newly organized.

Legacies received in June, July and August.

Mass., Philomela A. Williams, Est., 153.78.

Ohio: George L. Mechling, Est., 350.00.

Conn.: Francis H. Larned, Est., 250.00. Total for the quarter, \$753.78.

Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief

B. H. Fancher, Treasurer

Receipts for July August and September, 1916

ARIZONA—\$25.00.

Prescott: First, 25.

CALIFORNIA—\$52.50.

Bakersfield: First, 8.50. Panama: 1. Pasadena: West Side, 25. Santa Barbara: 10. Wasco: 8.

COLORADO—\$41.21.

Bethune: German, 10. Boulder: 9.96. Denver: Fourth Ave., 10; Ohio Ave., 4.50. Longmont: 6. Platte Valley: Brighton, 75c.

CONNECTICUT—\$199.59.

Bridgeport: Park St., 1. Danielson: 2. Greenwich: Second, 8.47. Hartford: Asylum Hill, 10.10. Harwinton: 2.40. Jewett City: 5. Lyme: Union Chapel, 2.10. Manchester: 17.65. Milford: First, 18.26. New Haven: Westville, 9.90. North Woodstock: S. S., 35c. Norwich: Second, 2.28. Pomfret Center: 5. Southington: 4.89. Talcottville: 90. Union: 1. Warren: 1.50. Willimantic: 13.69. Wolcott: 4.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$12.68.

Washington: First, 5.05; Mt. Pleasant, 2; Ingram Memorial, 5.63.

FLORIDA—\$17.05.

Dorcas: 15. St. Petersburg: 1.75. Tangierine: 15c. West Tampa: Cuban, 15c.

GEORGIA—\$4.

Atlanta: Central, 1. Savannah: First, 3.

IDAHO—\$8.60.

Challis: 2. Kootenai: 60c. Meridan: Fairview, 1. Mountain Home: 5.

ILLINOIS—\$130.26.

Chicago: Lake View, 5; Rogers Park, 10. Des Plaines: 3.20. Joy Prairie: Chapin, S. S., 5.25. Lawn Ridge: 81c. Oak Park: Second, 41.74. Roscoe: S. S., 1.10. Seward: Second, 10. Somonauk: 2. Sycamore: 13.50. Wheaton: College Ch., 32.66. Woodstock: 5.

INDIANA—\$145.79.

Angola: 2.50. Bremen: 25c. Dunkirk: 2. East Chicago: 10. Elkhart: 10. Fairmount: First, 20c. Fort Wayne: Plymouth, 25.50. Gary: First, 1. Indianapolis: First, 25.50; Brightwood, 6; Trinity, 1; Union, 20c. Kokomo: 15. Marion: The Temple, 10. Michigan City: First, 1. Miller: 3. Orland: 12. Portland: 6. Shipshewana: 1.15. Terre Haute: First, 4.24; Plymouth, 8.25; West Terre Haute, Bethany, 1.

IOWA—\$12.19.

Marshalltown: 10.19. Webster City: 2.

KANSAS—\$120.38.

Alton: 1. Athol: 5. Centralia: 1. Garnett: 3. Independence: 14. Lawrence: Plymouth, 23.75. Leavenworth: 10. Manhattan: 10. Mt. Hope: 2. Muscotah: 5. Paola: 3.75. Pittsburg: 5. Seneca: 6. Sterling: 5. Stockton: 1. Topeka: First, 8.50; Central, 8. Wakarusa Valley: 3. Wellington: 2.83. Western Park: Piedmont, 1.30. Wichita: College Hill, 1.25.

KENTUCKY—\$1.60.

Newport: 1.60.

LOUISIANA—\$12.

Hammond: 10. New Orleans: Beecher, 2.

MAINE—\$86.31.

Bath: Winter St., 25. Belfast: First, 3. Biddeford: Second, 2.01. Cumberland Center: 5. Hiram: 1. Minot Center: Auburn, 4. Portland: Second Parish, 15. Saco: 22.30. Skowhegan: Island Ave., 3. South Berwick: 6.

MASSACHUSETTS—\$859.

Amherst: First, 17. Ashburnham: 1.75. Belchertown: 5. Boston: Second Dorchester, 41.23. Brookline: Harvard, 58.26. Cambridge: North, 5; Pilgrim, 5. Chelsea: First, 4. Chicopee: First, 3; Second Falls, 2.39. Clinton: First, 12. Cohasset: Second, 1. Deerfield: South, 4. Easthampton: First, 83c. East Longmeadow: 1.88. Fall River: Central, 9.36; Pilgrim, 15c. Foxboro: Bethany, 2.27. Grafton: Evan., 26.21. Great Barrington: Housatonic, 10. Harvard: 7.50. Haverhill: Bradford, 2.50; Center, 7.50. Holliston: Winthrop, 104.20. Holden: 1.60. Holyoke: 5.55. Holyoke: First, 11.97; Second, 25. Hopkinton: 26.30. Lawrence: United, 5. Lenox: 5. Leominster: Pilgrim, 5.49. Lowell: Kirk St., 6.50. Lynn: Central, 5. Mansfield: Orthodox, 3.40. Maynard: 3.16. Medford: Mystic, 2.50. Medway: Second, West, 1.60. Melrose: Orthodox, 5. Millis: 83c. Milton: 1.53; East, 3.30. Montague: Millers Falls, 10. Natick: First, 15. New Bedford: North, 15.71. Newburyport: Belleville, 3.35. Newton Center: First, 33.80. Newton: Elliot, 59; Auburndale, 5; Highlands, 14. Northampton: First, 19.49; Edwards, 28.30. Northboro: 12. Palmer: Second, 2. Peabody: South, 5.87. Pittsfield: First, 36.50. Princeton: 10. Quincy: Bethany, 3.07. Salem: Tabernacle, 5; South, 96c. Sheffield: 3.13. Southampton: 10. Springfield: First, 28.05; Park, 5. Wellesley: 5. West Boylston: 5. West Newbury: First, 3.50. West Springfield: First, 1.43; Mittinague, 7. Williamsburg: 10. Winchendon: First, 1; North, 10. Woburn: North, 2.92. Worcester: Central, 5. Union, 7.86; Piedmont, 16; Pilgrim, 8.60.

MICHIGAN—\$108.

Calumet: 25. Clinton: 15. Detroit: N. Woodward Ave., 50. Muskegon: Jackson St., 1. Olivet: 11. Sherman: 1. Union City: 5.

MINNESOTA—\$27.

Minneapolis: Plymouth, 25. Oak Mound: Moorhead, 2.

MISSOURI—\$92.38.

Green Ridge: 6.51. Joplin: East, 1. Kansas City: First, 3.86; Met. Tabernacle, 1.66; Westminster, 4.74; Maplewood, 64c. Meadville: 2. New Cambria: 2. Old Orchard: 55c. St. Joseph: First, 48.25. St. Louis: First, 44c; Pilgrim, 9.48; Fountain Park, 50c; Hyde Park, 20c; Olive Branch, 30c; United, 1.20. Sedalia: First, 2.45. Springfield: German, 5. Webster Groves: 1.60.

MONTANA—\$4.00.

Bainville: 1. Cold Springs: 1. Geyser: 2.

NEBRASKA—\$162.30.

Ainsworth: 9. Arlington: 7.10. Blair:

8.15. **Brewster:** 4. **Fairmount:** 13.70. **Franklin:** 3.10. **Freemont:** 15. **Friend:** 1. **Hastings:** 3.50. **Neligh:** 2. **Norfolk:** First, 2.30. **Olive Branch:** German, 5. **Omaha:** First, 14.35; St. Marys Ave., 19. **Princeton:** German, 8. **Purdum:** 50c. **Scribner:** 5. **Taylor:** 4.60. **Trenton:** 2. **Verdon:** 6. **Weeping Water:** 10.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$119.59.

Amherst: 1.11. **Epsom:** Short Falls, 2. **Goffstown:** 5. **Goshen:** 1. **Hampton:** 9.38. **Keene:** First, 5. **Lebanon:** 10. **Pittsfield:** 25. **Plainfield:** Meriden, 2. **Portsmouth:** 54.60. **Rindge:** 3. **Temple:** 1.50.

NEW JERSEY—\$195.45.

East Orange: Trinity, 10. **Elizabeth:** 15. **Montclair:** First, 56.25; Watchung Ave., 15. **Upper Montclair:** 78.75. **Newark:** Belleville Ave., 1.45. **Orange:** Highland Ave., 15. **Paterson:** Auburn St., 4.

NEW YORK—\$296.68.

Barryville: 1. **Briar Cliff Manor:** 22.34. **Bridgewater:** 3. **Brockton:** 16c. **Candor:** 1.20. **Cortland:** Second, 2. **East Rockaway:** 2. **Gaines:** Albion, 83c. **Homer:** 14.02. **Irondequoit:** 2. **Little Valley:** 2. **Lockport:** First, 12.50. **Moravia:** 7. **Mount Vernon:** First, 12. **New York City:** Borough of Brooklyn: Christ, 25.05; Flatbush, 27.14; Lewis Ave., 7.50. **Borough of Manhattan:** Broadway Tabernacle, 5; Manhattan, 10. **Norwich:** 1.24. **Oriskany Falls:** 1. **Pine Island:** 3.65. **Port Leyden:** 42c. **Riverhead:** Sound Ave., 27.84. **Schenectady:** Pilgrim, 3. **Syracuse:** Geddes, 15; Plymouth, 31. **Ticonderoga:** 77c. **Walton:** 16.78. **Warsaw:** 15. **Watertown:** Emanuel, 2.14. **Westmoreland:** 2. **White Plains and vicinity:** 20.10.

NORTH DAKOTA—\$51.26.

Barlow: 4. **Blue Grass:** St. Mark, 20. **Dickinson:** 8. **Esmond:** 2. **Fargo:** First, 10.76. **Forman:** 2. **Ladbury:** 1. **Manvel:** 1. **Valley City:** 2. **Wahpeton:** 50c.

OHIO—\$255.97.

Akron: First, 2.80; West, 3.25. **Amherst:** Second, 50c. **Ashland:** 2.52. **Aurora:** 40c. **Austintown:** 80c. **Belpre:** 60c. **Berea:** 40c. **Berlin Heights:** 25c. **Burton:** 2.40. **Cincinnati:** Lawrence St., 2; Plymouth, 50c; Walnut Hills, 11.02. **Claridon:** 1.60. **Cleveland:** Archwood Ave., 10; Collinwood, 2.45; East View, 18c; Euclid Ave., 56; First, 4.18; Grace, 93c; Highland, 26c; Hough Ave., 2.53; Mizpah, 3; North, 40c; Park, 3.44; Pilgrim, 2. **Columbus:** Eastwood, 2; First, 6.50; Grandview Heights, 3.50; Plymouth, 7.20. **Conneaut:** 28c. **Cuyahoga Falls:** 1.30. **Eagleview:** 10c. **East Cleveland:** Calvary, 1.50; East, 4.45. **Elyria:** First, 4.11; Second, 29c. **Fairport:** Harbor, 10c. **Geneva:** 1.10. **Greenwich:** 60c. **Ironton:** 14c. **Jefferson:** 42c. **Kent:** 2. **Lima:** 90c. **Lodi:** 2.40. **Lorain:** First, 3.40; Second, 20c. **Madison:** Central, 1.95. **Mansfield:** 1.25. **Marietta:** First, 3.66. **Medina:** 5.04. **Mount Vernon:** 1. **Newark:** Plymouth, 44c. **New London:** 22c. **Newton Falls:** 71c. **North Fairfield:** 32c. **North Olmsted:** 10. **North Ridgeville:** 40c. **Norwalk:** 11c. **Oberlin:** First, 14.82; Second, 4.85. **Painesville:** First, 69c. **Parkman:** 1.60. **Pierpont:** 1. **Ravenna:** 40c. **Rock Creek:** 30c. **Rockport:** West Park, 20c. **Rootstown:** 3.15. **Saundusky:** 6.14. **Springfield:** First, 5.55. **Strongsville:** 10. **Sullivan:** 32c. **Toledo:** First, 4.49; Plymouth, 10c; Second, 20c; Washington St., 6.16. **Twinsburg:** 1.83. **Unionville:** 17c. **Vermillion:** 3.80. **Wakeman:** 66c. **Wauson:** 1.44. **Wayne:** 32c. **Wellington:** 60c. **West**

Millgrove: 20c. **West Williamsfield:** 40c. **Windham:** 45c. **York:** Mallet Creek, 2.73. **Youngstown:** Elm St., 60c; Plymouth, 80c.

OKLAHOMA—\$11.94.

Binger: 3.25. **Chickasha:** 1.15; **Gage:** 18c. **Harmony:** Guthrie, 5c. **Hennessey:** 10c. **Hillsdale:** 5.25. **Oklahoma City:** Pilgrim, 1.06. **Vinita:** 25c. **Weatherford:** 65c.

OREGON—\$151.26.

Cedar Mills: Beaverton, 3. **Corvallis:** First, 90c. **Hillside:** Forest Grove, 3. **Ingle Chapel:** 9.90. **Oregon City:** 2.46. **Portland:** First, 105; Highland, 2. **The Dalles:** 25c.

PENNSYLVANIA—\$30.30.

Braddock: First, 3. **Glenolden:** 10. **Kane:** 2. **Mahoney City:** 2. **Meadville:** 5. **Milroy:** 5.50. **Randolph:** Guy's Mills, 2.50. **Spring Brook:** 30c.

RHODE ISLAND—\$31.

Pawtucket: First, 15; Park Place, 5. **Providence:** Free Evangelical, 1; Plymouth, 10.

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$30.

Bowdle: Friedensthal German, 30.

TEXAS—\$55.21.

Dallas: Central, 55.21.

VERMONT—\$89.73.

Barre: 3.17. **Bennington:** Second, 3.08; North, 2.57. **Berkshire:** East, 4.50. **Brattleboro:** First, West, 2.05. **Burlington:** College St., 5. **Calais:** East, 1. **Charlotte:** 4. **Cornwall:** 13.75. **Holland:** Derby, 45c. **Norwich:** 2. **Quechee:** 5. **Sharon:** 2. **Springfield:** 10.76. **Wells River:** 8.65. **Westfield:** 1. **Wilmington:** 3. **Windham:** 2.75. **Windsor:** 5. **Woodstock:** 10.

WASHINGTON—\$42.53.

Anacortes: 41c. **Bellevue:** 22c. **Bellingham:** 50c. **Colfax:** 75c. **Colville:** 25c. **Dayton:** 37c. **Doty:** 2. **Elk:** 60c. **Eureka:** 13c. **Everet:** First, 1.35. **Kennewick:** 5.30. **Longbranch:** 1. **North Yakima:** 25c. **Pataha City:** Pomeroy, 55c. **Seattle:** Plymouth, 3.90; Greenlake, 3; Keystone, 15c; Fauntleroy, 55c. **Spokane:** Westminster, 1. **Trent Irwin:** 10c. **Walla Walla:** First, 20. **Washougal:** 15c.

WEST VIRGINIA—76c.

Ceredo: 76c.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

For July, August and September, 1916.

Receipts credited to churches under the apportionment as printed above	\$ 3,483.52
Other receipts including from Individuals, Conditional Gifts, Legacies and Interest	19,490.98
Received on account of the Ellen S. James Legacy	450,000.00
Total for the three months...	\$472,974.50

For Nine Months Ending Sept. 30, 1916.

Receipts credited to churches under the apportionment	\$ 18,130.30
Other receipts including from Individuals, Conditional Gifts, Legacies and Interest	37,125.05
Received on account of the Ellen S. James Legacy	450,000.00
Total for the nine months...	\$545,255.35